Gavin Michael E
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Gavin Michael E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION, P.O. BOX 1387

(Street)

WARSAW, IN 46581-1387

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/01/2019

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & CCO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/01/2019		M		8,520	A	$ 0	8,520	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2019		F		3,121	D	$ 45.32	5,399	D	
Common Stock								14,304	I	401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of Sha
Restricted Stock Units (1)	$ 0 (2)	02/01/2019		M			8,520	02/01/2019	02/01/2019(3)	Common Stock	8,
Restricted Stock Units (1)	$ 0 (2)	02/05/2019		A		5,400		02/01/2022	02/01/2022(3)	Common Stock	5,
Restricted Stock Units (1)	$ 0 (2)							02/01/2020	02/01/2020(3)	Common Stock	5,
Restricted Stock Units (1)	$ 0 (2)							02/01/2021	02/01/2021(3)	Common Stock	5,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gavin Michael E LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION P.O. BOX 1387 WARSAW, IN 46581-1387			EVP & CCO	

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact	02/05/2019
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The Restricted Stock Units are subject to forfeiture based on corporate performance criteria.

(2) Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.

(3) Restricted Stock Unit awards are a conditional promise to transfer a share at a specific futurue date and do not have an expiration date.

(4) Shares adjusted due to performance criteria.

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