

NIEMIER CHARLES E  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NIEMIER CHARLES E

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1600 S. MEADOW DR.  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/11/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

WARSAW, IN 46580  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.5								06/13/2005	06/13/2010	Common Stock	500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.625								01/09/2006	01/09/2011	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.125								02/08/2005	02/08/2010	Common Stock	600
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 19.4375								02/09/2004	02/09/2009	Common Stock	575
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.37								12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	500
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								01/01/2003	01/01/2003	Common Stock	3,038.
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								01/07/2003	01/07/2013	Common Stock	297.4
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								01/28/2003	01/28/2013	Common Stock	24.1
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								04/28/2003	04/28/2013	Common Stock	23.4
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								07/10/2003	07/10/2013	Common Stock	238
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								07/30/2003	07/30/2013	Common Stock	20
Phantom Stock	\$ 0								10/27/2003	10/27/2013	Common Stock	20
	\$ 0								01/16/2004	01/16/2014		241

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Phantom Stock								Common Stock	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				01/26/2004	01/26/2014		Common Stock	18
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				04/28/2004	04/28/2014		Common Stock	25
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				07/14/2004	07/14/2014		Common Stock	294
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				07/26/2004	07/26/2014		Common Stock	26
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				10/26/2004	10/26/2014		Common Stock	25
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/11/2005		A	268	01/11/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/11/2015 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	268

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NIEMIER CHARLES E 1600 S. MEADOW DR. WARSAW, IN 46580	X			

## Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,  
Attorney-in-Fact

01/12/2005

\_\_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) Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
  - (2) Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
  - (3) Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

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