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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

WELCH M SCOTT			Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]			Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 6 LONGWO	(Last) (First) (Middle) 6 LONGWOOD COURT			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2013			_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(Street) ELKHART, IN 46516			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	ear) Execut any	eemed ion Date, if n/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquirec Disposec (Instr. 3,	(A) or d of (D) 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)
Common Stock							63,570	D	
Common Stock							16,000	I	By LLP
Common Stock							1,930	I	By Spouse
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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. F Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	(1)	08/05/2013		A	131	(2)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	131	32
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.05					05/14/2013	05/14/2018	Common Stock	1,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WELCH M SCOTT 6 LONGWOOD COURT ELKHART, IN 46516	X					

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 08/06/2013

**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 exersises 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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