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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Toothaker Bradley J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

[LKFN]

(Middle)

(First) 68748 SOUTH SHORE DR 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

07/06/2015

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

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Person

Issuer

below)

EDWARDSBURG, MI 49112

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

6,875

Common Stock

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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. Number on f	6. Date Exer Expiration D		7. Title and A Underlying S		8. Price of Derivative
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day,	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	07/06/2015		A	481	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	481	\$ 42.65

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Toothaker Bradley J 68748 SOUTH SHORE DR EDWARDSBURG, MI 49112	X					

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 07/07/2015

**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 exercisableafter the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- (3) Phanton shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

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