

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
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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 \*  
 STEININGER DONALD B

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/01/2008

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

6914 WOODCROFT

(Street)

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

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

FORT WAYNE, IN 46804

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/01/2008		M	2,000 A \$ 7.125	31,835	D	
Common Stock					1,400	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. 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(1)					07/26/2005 07/26/2015	Common Stock	10
Phantom Stock	(1)					04/26/2005 04/26/2015	Common Stock	12
Phantom Stock	(1)					07/12/2005 07/12/2015	Common Stock	464
Phantom Stock	(1)					(2) (3)	Common Stock	1,610
Phantom Stock	(1)					10/25/2005 10/25/2005	Common Stock	16
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/14/2004 07/14/2014	Common Stock	562
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/26/2004 07/26/2014	Common Stock	8
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					04/28/2004 04/28/2014	Common Stock	6
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/10/2003 07/10/2013	Common Stock	505
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/11/2005 01/11/2015	Common Stock	434
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					10/27/2003 10/27/2013	Common Stock	2
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					10/26/2004 10/26/2014	Common Stock	10
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/26/2004 01/26/2014	Common Stock	2
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/16/2004 01/16/2014	Common Stock	505
	\$ 0					01/26/2005 01/26/2015		8

Phantom Stock								Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.185					12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 19.96					12/11/2012	12/11/2017	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 7.125	02/01/2008		M	2,000	06/12/2006	06/12/2011	Common Stock	2,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEININGER DONALD B 6914 WOODCROFT FORT WAYNE, IN 46804	X			

## Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/04/2008

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

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