

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WELCH M SCOTT

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)
6 LONGWOOD COURT
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/06/2014

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

ELKHART, IN 46516

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
 Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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 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					64,195	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. 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. F Der Sec (In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Phantom Stock	(1)	02/06/2014		A	122	(2)	(3)	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.05					05/14/2013	05/14/2018	Common Stock
								122
								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

02/07/2014

**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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