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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Pruitt Kristin**

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

[LKFN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2018

(Check all applicable)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CORPORATION, P.O. BOX 1387

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Executive Vice President

Applicable Line)

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

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Plan

7,317

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

Issuer

WARSAW, IN 46581-1387

LAKELAND FINANCIAL

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D) Common 03/02/2018 S 1,200 D \$ 46 7,900 D Stock Common 401(k)

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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		;
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					02/01/2019	02/01/2019(3)	Common Stock	6,000	
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					02/01/2020	02/01/2020(3)	Common Stock	5,400	
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					02/01/2021	02/01/2021(3)	Common Stock	5,700	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Pruitt Kristin LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION P.O. BOX 1387 WARSAW, IN 46581-1387			Executive Vice President			

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 03/02/2018

**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) The Restricted Stock Units are subject to forfeiture based on corporate performance criteria.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- (3) Restricted Stock Unit awards are a conditional promise to transfer a share at a specific futurue date and do not have an expiration date.

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