LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A WELCH M	Symbol LAKE	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		(Month/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2006				% Owner ner (specify
ELKHART,	(Street) , IN 46516		endment, Date on the Day/Year)	υ	Applicable Lin_X_ Form file	or Joint/Group Fili ne) d by One Reporting P l by More than One R	Person
(City)	(State)	Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative Securi	ties Acquired, Dispos	ed of, or Beneficia	ılly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Code	4. Securities on Acquired (A) o Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D)) Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock					6,600	D	
Common					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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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>					10/25/2005	10/25/2005	Common Stock	44
Phantom Stock	(1)					04/26/2005	04/26/2015	Common Stock	44
Phantom Stock	(1)					07/12/2005	07/12/2015	Common Stock	432
Phantom Stock	(1)					07/26/2005	07/26/2015	Common Stock	36
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/01/2003	01/01/2003	Common Stock	4,169.8
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/07/2003	01/07/2013	Common Stock	594.6
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/28/2003	01/28/2013	Common Stock	34.6
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					04/28/2003	04/28/2013	Common Stock	33
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/10/2003	07/10/2013	Common Stock	476
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/30/2003	07/30/2013	Common Stock	28
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					10/27/2003	10/27/2013	Common Stock	30
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/16/2004	01/16/2014	Common Stock	466
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/26/2004	01/26/2014	Common Stock	26
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					04/28/2004	04/28/2014	Common Stock	38

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Phantom Stock	\$ 0				07/14/2004	07/14/2014	Common Stock	562	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				07/26/2004	07/26/2014	Common Stock	40	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				10/26/2004	10/26/2014	Common Stock	38	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				01/11/2005	01/11/2015	Common Stock	458	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				01/26/2005	01/26/2015	Common Stock	36	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2006	A	43	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	43	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.75				06/13/2005	06/13/2010	Common Stock	1,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.8125				01/09/2006	01/09/2011	Common Stock	2,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 7.5625				02/08/2005	02/08/2010	Common Stock	1,200	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9.7188				02/09/2004	02/09/2009	Common Stock	1,150	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.185				12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
WELCH M SCOTT							
6 LONGWOOD COURT	X						
ELKHART IN 46516							

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Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact

05/01/2006

**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 exersises into 1 share of Common Stock.

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