LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WELCH M SCOTT Issuer Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [LKFN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 6 LONGWOOD COURT 12/11/2007 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ELKHART, IN 46516 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Beneficial Disposed of (D) (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 12,600 D Stock Common 1,400 I By Spouse Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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	(1)					04/26/2005	04/26/2015	Common Stock	44
Phantom Stock	(1)					07/12/2005	07/12/2015	Common Stock	432
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>					07/26/2005	07/26/2015	Common Stock	36
Phantom Stock	(1)					10/25/2005	10/25/2005	Common Stock	44
Phantom Stock	(1)					(2)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	2,602
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/16/2004	01/16/2014	Common Stock	466
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					04/28/2004	04/28/2014	Common Stock	38
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/26/2004	07/26/2014	Common Stock	40
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/01/2003	01/01/2003	Common Stock	4,169.8
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/28/2003	01/28/2013	Common Stock	34.6
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/14/2004	07/14/2014	Common Stock	562
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/26/2005	01/26/2015	Common Stock	36
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					01/26/2004	01/26/2014	Common Stock	26
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					04/28/2003	04/28/2013	Common Stock	33
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					10/26/2004	10/26/2014	Common Stock	38

Phantom Stock	\$ 0				07/30/2003	07/30/2013	Common Stock	28
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				01/07/2003	01/07/2013	Common Stock	594.6
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				01/11/2005	01/11/2015	Common Stock	458
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				07/10/2003	07/10/2013	Common Stock	476
Phantom Stock	\$ 0				10/27/2003	10/27/2013	Common Stock	30
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
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 19.96	12/11/2007	A	1,000	12/11/2012	12/11/2017	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	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

12/13/2007

**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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