

Earls Sarah J  
Form 5  
February 14, 2019

**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Earls Sarah J

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. Statement of Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
SVP, Controller

LAKELAND FINANCIAL  
CORPORATION, P.O. BOX 1387  
(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
(check applicable line)

WARSAW, IN 46581-1387

\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form Filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/21/2018	Â	M4	500	A \$ 0	500	D Â
Common Stock	12/31/2018	Â	J4 <sup>(1)</sup>	99	A \$ 47.22	158	I 401k Plan

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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)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/21/2018	Â	M4	Â 500	02/20/2018 02/20/2018 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock 500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Earls Sarah J LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION P.O. BOX 1387 WARSAW, IN 46581-1387	Â	Â	Â SVP, Controller	Â

## Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,  
Attorney-in-Fact 02/14/2019

\_\_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) Salary redirection to 401(k) plan for 2018.

(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 future date and do not have an expiration date.

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