HIATT THOMAS

Form 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

Reported Form 4

(Last)

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HIATT THOMAS

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

[LKFN]

(Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)

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

12/31/2017

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Â P.O. BOX 1387

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Der	ivative Se	curiti	es Acquir	ed, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securi (A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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	12/31/2017	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	287	A	\$ 45.84	16,241	D	Â
Common Stock	10/03/2017	Â	G	450	D	\$ 0	16,241	D	Â
Common Stock	10/03/2017	Â	G	900	D	\$ 0	16,241	D	Â
Common	12/31/2017	Â	J <u>(1)</u>	18	A	\$	983	I	By Spouse

Stock 45.84

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. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(3)	(4)	Common Stock	21,197	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address $\frac{\text{Relationships}}{\text{Director}} \times \frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}} \times \frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}} \times \frac{10\%}{\text{Other}} \times \frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}} \times \frac{$

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, 02/14/2018 Attorney-in-Fact

**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) Dividend Reinvestment for 2017.
- (2) Each phantom stock unit exersises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- (3) Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- (4) Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

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