

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 LUDWIG ALLAN 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. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/10/2007

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

55755 COUNTRY RD 27

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BRISTOL, IN 46507

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		100 D \$ 19.9532	37,884	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		800 D \$ 19.96	37,084	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		161 D \$ 19.9688	36,923	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,198 D \$ 19.97	35,725	D
Common Stock	12/10/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		100 D \$ 19.9701	35,625	D

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Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 19.9766	35,525	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	200	D	\$ 19.9854	35,325	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,000	D	\$ 19.99	34,325	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,341	D	\$ 20	32,984	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	500	D	\$ 20.02	32,484	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	300	D	\$ 20.04	32,184	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 20.08	32,084	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	300	D	\$ 20.09	31,784	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	300	D	\$ 20.0944	31,484	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 20.11	31,384	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	500	D	\$ 20.14	30,884	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	300	D	\$ 20.19	30,584	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	200	D	\$ 20.21	30,384	D	
Common Stock						4,000	I	By Spouse

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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. P... Deri... Secu... (Inst...
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Disposed  
of (D)  
(Instr. 3,  
4, and 5)

	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock			<u>(2)</u>		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	2,432
Phantom Stock			<u>(2)</u>		04/26/2005	04/26/2015	Common Stock	70
Phantom Stock			<u>(2)</u>		07/26/2005	07/26/2015	Common Stock	60
Phantom Stock			<u>(2)</u>		07/12/2005	07/12/2015	Common Stock	464
Phantom Stock			<u>(2)</u>		10/25/2005	10/25/2005	Common Stock	66
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		07/26/2004	07/26/2014	Common Stock	68
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		01/07/2003	01/07/2013	Common Stock	561
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		01/16/2004	01/16/2014	Common Stock	527
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		01/26/2005	01/26/2015	Common Stock	58
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		07/10/2003	07/10/2013	Common Stock	481
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		01/26/2004	01/26/2014	Common Stock	48
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		10/27/2003	10/27/2013	Common Stock	51
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		04/28/2003	04/28/2013	Common Stock	63.4
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		01/28/2003	01/28/2013	Common Stock	63.4
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		04/28/2004	04/28/2014	Common Stock	64
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		01/01/2003	01/01/2003	Common Stock	8,224.2
Phantom Stock			\$ 0		07/30/2003	07/30/2013	Common Stock	53
			\$ 0		07/14/2004	07/14/2014		450

Phantom Stock					Common Stock	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	10/26/2004	10/26/2014		Common Stock	64
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	01/11/2005	01/11/2015		Common Stock	402
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)	\$ 14	05/12/2003	05/10/2008		Common Stock	1,850
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.185	12/09/2008	12/09/2013		Common Stock	1,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LUDWIG ALLAN J 55755 COUNTRY RD 27 BRISTOL, IN 46507	X			

## Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,  
Attorney-in-Fact

12/12/2007

\_\_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).

- (1) The sale transaction occurred for tax and estate planning purposes.
- (4) Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- (3) Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- (2) Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.

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