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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KUBACKI MICHAEL L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP

[LKFN]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

(Street)

(Ctata)

(7:-

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2017

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

1401 E. NORTH SHORE DR

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

SYRACUSE, IN 46567

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/30/2017		M	21,420	A	\$0	260,021	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2017		F	6,764	D	\$ 45.72	253,257	D	
Common Stock							39,064	I	401(k) Plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acq or D (D)	uired (A) visposed of er. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)	01/30/2017		M		21,420	02/01/2017	02/01/2017(3)	Common Stock	21,4 (4)
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)						02/01/2018	02/01/2018(3)	Common Stock	18,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KUBACKI MICHAEL L 1401 E. NORTH SHORE DR SYRACUSE, IN 46567	X						

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact 01/31/2017

**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 Restricted Stock Units are subject to forfeiture based on corporate performance criteria.
- (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 futurue date and do not have an expiration date.
- (4) Shares adjusted due to performance criteria.

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