

LAKELAND BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 SCHWARZ RONALD E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LAKELAND BANCORP INC
 [LBAI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O 250 OAK RIDGE ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/24/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP & Chief Retail Officer

OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2016 | | A | | 7,355 (2) | A | \$ 0 55,703 (1) D |

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)

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| 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SCHWARZ RONALD E C/O 250 OAK RIDGE ROAD OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438 | | | EVP & Chief Retail Officer | |

Signatures

Patricia Backman POA 02/25/2016

**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) Includes a total of 19,424 RSU's (including the 7,355 shares granted 2/24/16) that have not yet vested. Also includes 1,180 restricted shares that have not yet vested.

Represents performance-based Restricted Stock Units (RSUs), each representing the right to receive, following vesting, one share of common stock. The resulting shares acquired upon vesting of the RSUs is contingent upon the achievement of pre-established performance metrics over a 3 year period beginning 1-1-2016 and ending on 12-31-2018 (the "Performance Period"), provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer on the date following the Performance Period that the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors determines that the performance goals for the final year of the Performance Period have been satisfied. If employment terminates sooner, the RSUs will be forfeited unless termination of employment occurs because of death or, subject to certain service requirements, disability or normal or early retirement, in any of which events the RSUs may vest in whole or in part. The RSUs were granted under the Issuer's 2009 Equity Compensation Program.

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