

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
December 17, 2007
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report
(Date of earliest event reported)

December 11, 2007

Lakeland Financial Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

0-11487
(Commission File Number)

35-1559596
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

202 East Center Street, Warsaw, Indiana
(Address of principal executive offices)

46581-1387
(Zip Code)

(574) 267-6144

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 FR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On December 11, 2007, the Board of Directors of Lakeland Financial Corporation (the Company) adopted resolutions approving amendments to Sections 5 and 7 of Article III of the Company's Bylaws to allow for the issuance of uncertificated shares of the Company's capital stock. The Company adopted these amendments to comply with new rules adopted by the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (NASDAQ) that require listed companies to be eligible for the Direct Registration System (DRS) by January 1, 2008. The DRS allows a stockholder's ownership to be recorded and maintained on the books of an issuer or its transfer agent without issuance of a physical stock certificate. The amended Bylaws permit the Company to issue certificated or uncertificated shares, and provisions regarding the transfer of shares have been updated accordingly.

The foregoing description of the amendments to the Company's Bylaws is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Bylaws, as amended, a copy of which are attached hereto as Exhibit 3(ii) and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

None.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

None.

(c) Shell company transactions.

None.

(d) Exhibits.

3.1 Bylaws of Lakeland Financial Corporation (as amended December 11, 2007)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Dated: December 17, 2007

By: /s/ David M. Findlay
David M. Findlay
Chief Financial Officer