LAKELAND BANCORP INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHARA THOMAS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LAKELAND BANCORP INC

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

[LBAI]

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

C/O LAKELAND BANCORP.

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2016

X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

President and CEO

INC., 250 OAK RIDGE ROAD

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438

(City)	(State) 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	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/24/2016		A	29,515 (1)	A	\$0	278,014 (2)	D	
Common Stock							752	I	Family Partnership

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 o	of 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

SHARA THOMAS C/O LAKELAND BANCORP, INC. 250 OAK RIDGE ROAD OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438

President and CEO

Signatures

Patricia 02/25/2016 Backman POA

Date **Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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.
- D: Includes a total of 77,349 RSU's (including the 29,515 shares granted 2/24/16) and 5,072 restricted shares that have not yet vested and 253 shares acquired through the Company's DRIP plan.

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