

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 12, 2008  
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 **May 12, 2008**  
(Date of earliest event reported)  
**Lakeland Financial Corporation**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Indiana**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**35-1559596** **0-11487**  
(Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

**202 East Center Street, Warsaw, Indiana** **46581-1387**  
(Address of principal executive offices) (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

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(17 FR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On May 12, 2008, Lakeland Financial Corporation (the "Company") announced that Kristin Pruitt has joined the Company as Senior Vice President, Corporate Secretary and General Counsel. Ms. Pruitt will also serve in these roles at Lake City Bank.

The press release regarding Ms. Pruitt is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

**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: May 12, 2008  
David M. Findlay

By: /s/ David M. Findlay

Chief Financial Officer