

Lee Bruce K  
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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 \*  
 Lee Bruce K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC [HTLF]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1398 CENTRAL AVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/18/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 PRESIDENT

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V	Amount		
					Price		
Common Stock					3,242	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2018		A	524 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 47.7	3,766	D
Common Stock	01/18/2018		M	2,800	\$ 54.85	6,566	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)

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. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2017 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,271
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	(2)					(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,635
2017 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	(2)					(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,996 (6)
2016 Time-Based Restricted Stock	(2)					(7)	(7)	Common Stock	2,484
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	(2)					(8)	(8)	Common Stock	1,976
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	(2)					(9)	(9)	Common Stock	4,148



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