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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addr	1 0		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP</u> [ LKFN ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>PLETCHER RICHARD L</u>			t	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1102 NORTHWOOD DR		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/28/2010		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) NAPPANEE	IN	46550		Line) X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		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)	Code (	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Code (Instr. 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Common Stock	12/28/2010		М		2,000	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	7,569.122	D		
Common Stock								1,579.882	Ι	By Spouse	

 

 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. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$6.8125	12/28/2010		М			2,000	01/09/2006	01/09/2011	Common Stock	2,000	\$0	0	D	
Phantom Stock	(1)							(3)	(2)	Common Stock	29,256		29,256	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$17.185							12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$24.05							12/07/2010	05/14/2018	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each phantom stock unit exersises into 1 share of Common Stock.

2. Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

3. Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

## Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-

in-Fact

12/28/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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