FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN] | | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owne | | | | | |
|---|---|--|---|---------|----------|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|-------------|---|---|----------------|---------|--|---|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| (Last) 330 W 6 | ast) (First) (Middle) | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/29/2011 | | | | | | | | | r (give title ') | | Other (s | | |
| (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46260 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. II | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Lin | e) X Form Form | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Non | -Deriva | ative | Sec | uriti | es Ac | quired, | Disp | osed | of, or | Bene | eficia | lly Owne | d | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | | | Execution Date | | , Transaction Disp Code (Instr. 5) | | | curities Acquired (A) osed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | Benefic | ies ially Following | Form: | Direct Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | A) or D) | Price | Transac (Instr. 3 | ction(s) | | | (111511.4) | | | | |
| Common Stock 07/29/2 | | | | | | /2011 | | A | | 500 | 00 A | | \$0 | 3 | 3,000 | | D | | | |
| | | Т | able II - D | | | | | | uired, Di , option | | | | | | / Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution E if any (Month/Day | Date, T | Code (In | | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | y [0 | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | | Date Exercisable | | piration ate | Title | or Nu of | umber | | | | | | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | | | | | | | | (3) | | (2) | Commo | | ,066 | | 1,066 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises 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

** Signature of Reporting Person

08/01/2011

Date

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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