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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			of Section So(n) of the Investment Company Act of 1940						
1. Name and Add	1 5	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [ LKFN ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>DE BATTY JILL A</u>				1	Director	10% Owner			
				x	Officer (give title	Other (specify			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	···	below)	below)			
1908 SHORT RIDGE RD			07/28/2011		Senior Vice President				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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					Form filed by More that	an 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)	3. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/28/2011		М		1,900	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	1,950	D		
Common Stock	07/28/2011		S		1,900	D	\$23.0428	50	D		
Common Stock								3,958	Ι	401k Plan	

### 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)	\$17.185	07/28/2011		М			1,900	12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,900	\$0	100	D	
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0							03/15/2012	03/15/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	2,000		2,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>							02/01/2013	02/01/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	2,000		2,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>							02/01/2014	02/01/2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	3,000		3,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$24.05							05/14/2013	05/14/2018	Common Stock	2,000		2,000	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted Stock Unit awards are a conditional promise to transfer a share at a specific futurue date and do not have an expiration date.

2. The Restricted Stock Units are subject to forfeiture based on corporate performance criteria.

3. Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.

<u>Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-</u> <u>in-Fact</u>

<u>08/01/2011</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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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