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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 *
 Ottinger Eric H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP
 [LKFN]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 12133 EAGLE CREEK PLACE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/01/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

FORT WAYNE, IN 46814
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 800 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 500 | I | 401(k) Plan |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/01/2011 | | A | 4,000 | 02/01/2014 02/01/2014 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock | 4,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | 02/05/2012 02/05/2012 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock | 3,314 |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 | | | | | 03/15/2012 03/15/2012 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | 02/01/2013 02/01/2013 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock | 3,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 17.185 | | | | | 12/09/2008 12/09/2013 | Common Stock | 3,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 19.595 | | | | | 10/11/2010 10/11/2015 | Common Stock | 6,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 24.05 | | | | | 05/14/2013 05/14/2018 | Common Stock | 3,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ottinger Eric H 12133 EAGLE CREEK PLACE | | | Executive Vice President | |

