

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP
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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 *
BARTMAN TERESA A

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)
12139 SYRACUSE WEBSTER RD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/12/2010

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

SYRACUSE, IN 46567

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/12/2010		M	1,500 A \$ 0	1,500	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2010		S	861 D \$ 18.0505	639	D	
Common Stock					6,704	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	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.75	03/12/2010		M	1,500	06/13/2005	06/13/2010	Common Stock	1,500
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0					04/14/2012	04/14/2012 ⁽¹⁾	Common Stock	1,000
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾					02/01/2013	02/01/2013 ⁽¹⁾	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.8125					01/09/2006	01/09/2011	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.185					12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BARTMAN TERESA A 12139 SYRACUSE WEBSTER RD SYRACUSE, IN 46567			Vice President & Controller	

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/16/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Restricted Stock Unit awards are a conditional promise to transfer a share at a specific future date and do not have an expiration date.
 - (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
 - (3) The Restricted Stock Units are subject to forfeiture based on corporate performance criteria.

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