

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
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**FORM 5**

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FULMER L CRAIG**  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

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

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
 (check applicable line)  
 Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

120 W. LEXINGTON  
 (Street)

ELKHART, IN 46516  
 (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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	11/05/2009	Â	J(1)	4.017	A	\$ 20.2323	D	Â
Common Stock	11/05/2009	Â	J(1)	289.603	A	\$ 20.2323	I	By Spouse
Restricted Stock Awards	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	D	Â

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		
Phantom Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â <sup>(4)</sup>	Â <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	20,115
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.5625	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/08/2005	02/08/2010	Common Stock	1,200
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.75	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/13/2005	06/13/2010	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.8125	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/09/2006	01/09/2011	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.185	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.05	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	04/10/2012	05/14/2018	Common Stock	1,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FULMER L CRAIG  
120 W. LEXINGTON  
ELKHART, IN 46516

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## Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/12/2010

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) Dividend reinvestment for 2009.
- (2) Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- (3) Phantom shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- (4) Phantom stock is exercisable after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

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