Steiner Jonathan P Form 3 July 13, 2011 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB APPROVAL FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB Number:

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address Person <u>*</u> Steiner Jonatha	1 0	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]				
(Last) (Firs	, , , , ,	07/12/2011	4. Relationship Person(s) to Is			. If Amendment, Date Original iled(Month/Day/Year)	
2962 BROOKWI (Stre HOLLAND, M	et)		Director X Officer (give title below	Other	Owner F w) Pe	. Individual or Joint/Group iling(Check Applicable Line) X_Form filed by One Reporting erson Form filed by More than One eporting Person	
(City) (Stat	te) (Zip)	Table I - N	on-Derivati	ve Securiti	es Bene	ficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Beneficially ((Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Natur Ownersh (Instr. 5)	1	
Common Stock		268		Ι	401(k)	Plan	
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Table I	I - Derivative Secur	ities Beneficially Owned (e.	g., puts, calls,	warrants, opt	ions, con	vertible securities)	

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			(Instr. 4)	Price of		Derivative	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Shares

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(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Steiner Jonathan P 2962 BROOKWIND DR HOLLAND, MI 49424	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â			
Signatures							
Teresa A. Bartman, Attorney-in-Fact		07/13/2011	1				
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date					

Explanation of Responses:

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