Toothaker Bradley J Form 4 February 08, 2012

#### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

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**SECURITIES** 

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Toothaker Bradley J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

68748 SOUTH SHORE DR

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

(Street)

EDWARDSBURG, MI 49112

(State)

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP [LKFN]

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

02/06/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Month/Day/Year)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

10% Owner

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

(D) or

D

Other (specify

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

3,125

Beneficially

X\_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

(9-02)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title and A		
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	Date	Underlying S	Securities	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e				(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	3				
	Security				Acquired					
	•				(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
					, ,					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration		or	
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number	
						Lacicisable	Date		of	
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares	
Phantom								Common		\$
	<u>(1)</u>	02/06/2012		A	2	(2)	(3)		2	
Stock								Stock		26.0946

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Toothaker Bradley J 68748 SOUTH SHORE DR EDWARDSBURG, MI 49112	X						

# **Signatures**

Teresa A. Bartman, 02/08/2012 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

### **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).

Date

- (1) Each phantom stock unit exercises into 1 share of Common Stock.
- (2) Phantom stock is exercisableafter the directors' retirement as a Board member.
- (3) Phanton shares expire after the directors' retirement as a Board member.

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