MILLER MELVIN E

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			INC [HTLF]						(Спеск ан аррисавіе)				
(Last) (First) (Middle 1398 CENTRAL AVE.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2011						Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Investment Officer				
				endment, I onth/Day/Ye		_	al		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(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) 05/23/2011		Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ior	4. Securit (A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4) Amount 3,000	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 19,250 (3) (5)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) D (1)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock									6,230	I	IRA		
Common Stock									7,680	I	Retirement Fund		
Common Stock									3,899 (4)	I	HRT Retirement Plan		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	Sec (A) Acc (A) Dis (D) (In:	ecurities equired (a) or isposed	ative s l	Expiration D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V			D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 8.67	05/23/2011		M		3,00)00	(2)	06/01/2011	Common Stock	0	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 8.8							<u>(2)</u>	01/15/2012	Common Stock	6,00	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 11.84							<u>(2)</u>	01/21/2013	Common Stock	4,50	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 19.48							<u>(2)</u>	01/20/2014	Common Stock	3,00	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21							(2)	02/10/2015	Common Stock	5,00	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 21.6							(2)	02/06/2016	Common Stock	1,50	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.65							(2)	01/16/2017	Common Stock	1,50	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.6							(2)	01/24/2018	Common Stock	2,50	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MILLER MELVIN E 1398 CENTRAL AVE. DUBUQUE, IA 52001

Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

/s/ Melvin E. 05/24/2011

**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) Shares held jointly with reporting person's spouse.
- (2) Represents options to buy granted under the Company's Stock Option Plan, a Rule 16(b)(3) plan, which options vest one-third per year beginning on the 3rd anniversary of date of grant.
- (3) Includes 593 Restricted Stock Awards granted under the 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (4) Represents shares allocated to the reporting person's account under the Heartland Financial USA, Inc. Retirement Plan as a result of the Pension Plan Protection Act of 2006.
- Includes 7,600 Restricted Stock Units (RSU). Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of common stock. The grant vests in three equal installments on the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date. The RSU grant is subject to the settlement restrictions under the TARP.

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