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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Western Asset High Yield Defined Opportunity Fund Inc.				
Laskaj Albert		(Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2010	[HYI]					
(Last) (F	⁷ irst)	(Middle)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
620 EIGHTH A	VENUE	49TH						
FLOOR				(Check all applicable)				
,	treet)			Director 10% Owner X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Assistant Treasurer			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person	
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(City) (S	tate)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	1	
Common Stock			0 (1)		D <u>(1)</u>	Â		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect
		Shares		(I)
				(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		Other	
Laskaj Albert 620 EIGHTH AVENUE 49TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10018	Â	Â	Assistant Treasurer		Â	
Signatures						
/s/ William J. Renahan by Power of Attorney for Albert 10/25/ Laskaj				10/25/20)10	
**Signature of Reporting Person				Date		

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) The Reporting Person does not beneficially own any securities of the issuer, directly or indirectly.

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