

LAWRENCE JAMES G
Form 4
November 19, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LAWRENCE JAMES G

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP
[VLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1455 VALLEY ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/17/2009

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

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

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Applicable Line)
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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)	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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	11/17/2009		A	Amount <u>1,900</u> ⁽²⁾	A \$ 0 285,562	D	
Common Stock					19,452	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					4,134	I	Custodian For Son
Common Stock					9,807	I	Executor
Common Stock					2,104	I	Spouse And Self/custodians For

Common Stock	30,359	I	Grandchildren Trustee FBO Mother ⁽³⁾
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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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 17.8762							11/27/2002	11/27/2011	Common Stock	6,156
Stock Options	\$ 18.7238							11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	7,036
Stock Options	\$ 21.8286							11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	16,080
Stock Options	\$ 21.9143							11/26/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	15,316
Stock Options	\$ 20.2952							11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	17,624
Stock Options	\$ 22.2095							11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	16,785
Stock Options	\$ 16.9619							02/12/2009	02/12/2018	Common Stock	11,025

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAWRENCE JAMES G
1455 VALLEY ROAD
WAYNE, NJ 07470-

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ JAMES G.
LAWRENCE

11/19/2009

Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Valley National Bancorp declared a 5% dividend on April 14, 2009, issued on May 22, 2009 to shareholders of record on May 8, 2009.

Restricted stock granted under the Valley National Bancorp 2009 Long Term Stock Incentive Plan. Under the TARP rules, the restricted

(2) stock grants cannot vest for a period of two years following the grant date. If the TARP funds are repaid, the restricted stock may be subject to a three year vesting period.

(3) Mr. Lawrence is a trustee of a trust for the benefit of his mother, of which he is a 45% beneficiary; and his son a 10% beneficiary, of which Mr. Lawrence is the trustee. The reported amount reflects Mr. Lawrence and his son's shares of the trust.

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