

FARRELL ROBERT E
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FARRELL ROBERT E

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)
11/15/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

WAYNE, NJ 07470-
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock ⁽²⁾	11/15/2010 ⁽³⁾		A	6,398 A \$ 0	69,044	D	
Common Stock					5,993	I	Spouse

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 13.13	11/15/2010		A	7,985 <u>(1)</u>	11/15/2011	11/15/2020	Common Stock	7,985
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 16.67					11/07/2002	11/07/2011	Common Stock	2,662
Stock Options	\$ 14.76					11/15/2001	11/15/2010	Common Stock	2,584
Stock Options	\$ 16.67					11/07/2002	11/07/2011	Common Stock	6,573
Stock Options	\$ 17.83					11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	8,274
Stock Options	\$ 20.79					11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	8,443
Stock Options	\$ 20.87					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	8,041
Stock Options	\$ 19.33					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	8,936
Stock Options	\$ 21.15					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	8,508
Stock Options	\$ 16.47					11/14/2008	11/14/2017	Common Stock	5,210

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

FARRELL ROBERT E
1455 VALLEY ROAD
WAYNE, NJ 07470-

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

/s/ ROBERT E.
FARRELL

11/17/2010

__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) ISOs granted under the Valley National Bancorp 2009 Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan, with three-year equal vesting, beginning at grant date.
 - (2) Valley National Bancorp declared a 5% dividend on April 14, 2010, to be issued May 21, 2010 to shareholders of record on May 7, 2010.
 - (3) Restricted shares granted under the Valley National Bancorp 2009 Long Term Incentive Stock Plan, with three-year equal vesting, beginning at grant date.

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