

LIPKIN GERALD H
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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 *
LIPKIN GERALD H

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)
Chairman, President and CEO

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	31,988 A \$ 0	216,731	D	
Common Stock					6,300	I	Spouse - Roth IRA
Common Stock					194,836	I	Wife
Common Stock (401k Plan) ⁽⁴⁾					3,010	D	
Common Stock (Roth)					55,240	D	

IRA)

Common
Stock (with
Spouse)

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D

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 13.13	11/15/2010		A	39,924 <u>(1)</u>	11/15/2011 11/15/2020	Common Stock	39,924
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 18.07					02/15/2002 02/15/2012	Common Stock	27,950
Stock Options	\$ 18.07					02/15/2002 02/15/2012	Common Stock	1,590
Stock Options	\$ 17.36					03/01/2004 03/01/2013	Common Stock	10,340
Stock Options	\$ 19.95					02/26/2005 02/26/2014	Common Stock	28,140
Stock Options	\$ 19.99					02/08/2006 02/08/2015	Common Stock	26,800
Stock Options	\$ 18.99					02/15/2007 02/15/2016	Common Stock	31,900
Stock Options	\$ 21.34					02/13/2008 02/13/2017	Common Stock	42,540
Stock Options	\$ 16.15					02/12/2009 02/12/2018	Common Stock	40,510

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LIPKIN GERALD H 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-	X		Chairman, President and CEO	

Signatures

/s/ GERALD H.
LIPKIN

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, 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.
 - (4) Holdings under the Valley 401K Plan has been updated to reflect reporting person's balance in the Plan.

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