

MEYER ROBERT
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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 *
MEYER ROBERT

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)
05/09/2011

____ 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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/09/2011		S	5,805	D \$ 13.569	46,434	D
Common Stock (401k Plan) ⁽¹⁾						3,441	D
Common Stock (with Spouse)						118,327	D

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 13.13					11/15/2011 11/15/2020	Common Stock	11,977
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 17.03					11/27/2002 11/27/2011	Common Stock	13,992
Stock Options	\$ 14.43					11/28/2001 11/28/2010	Common Stock	21,330
Stock Options	\$ 17.03					11/27/2002 11/27/2011	Common Stock	6,323
Stock Options	\$ 17.83					11/18/2003 11/18/2012	Common Stock	17,730
Stock Options	\$ 20.79					11/17/2004 11/17/2013	Common Stock	16,885
Stock Options	\$ 20.87					11/16/2005 11/16/2014	Common Stock	16,083
Stock Options	\$ 19.33					11/14/2006 11/14/2015	Common Stock	18,505
Stock Options	\$ 21.15					11/13/2007 11/13/2016	Common Stock	20,056
Stock Options	\$ 16.15					02/12/2009 02/12/2018	Common Stock	19,102

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MEYER ROBERT 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ ROBERT M.
MEYER

05/11/2011

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

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