Guedry John Form 4 March 08, 2018

FORM 4

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

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Guedry John | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| | WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION [WAL] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify | | | |
| ONE E. WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 1400 | 03/06/2018 | below) below) EVP, So. Nevada Administration 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | | |
| PHOENIX, AZ 85004 | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | D erivative | Secui | rities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|-------------|--------------------|-------|--|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price | | | | 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 | 03/06/2018 | | S | 9,824 | D | \$ 61.73 | 27,870 (2) | I | John and Debra Guedry Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 10,660 (2) | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 760 <u>(3)</u> | I | 401K Plan |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title a | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction | orNumber | Expiration Date | | Amount | of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ing | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securitie | es | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. 3 | and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | · | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
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| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | of | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | S | hares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Guedry John

ONE E. WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 1400 PHOENIX, AZ 85004

EVP, So. Nevada Administration

Signatures

/s/Randall S. Theisen (Attorney-in-fact)

03/08/2018

**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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$61.68 to \$61.75, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Western Alliance Bancorporation, any security holder of Western Alliance Bancorporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
- On March 5, 2018, the reporting person transferred 9,824 shares from direct holdings to the John & Debra Guedry TTEES U/A DTD 11/08/1994 by Debra L Guedry et al Trust.
- (3) Reflects shares held in the 401K Plan to include employer match as of 3/1/18.

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