

Robbins Ira  
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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 \*  
Robbins Ira

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)  
First Sr. VP and Treasurer

WAYNE, NJ 07470

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  |  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 11/15/2010                           |  | F <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | \$ 13.13  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 11/15/2010                           |  | F <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | \$ 13.13  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 11/15/2010                           |  | F <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | \$ 13.13  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 11/15/2010                           |  | A                              |   | \$ 0  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 11/17/2010                           |  | F <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | \$ 12.87  | D  |                                   |

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|----------------------------|------------|--|------------------|-----|---|-------------|--------|---|--------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock <u>(1)</u> | 11/17/2010 |  | F <sup>(2)</sup> | 273 | D | \$<br>12.87 | 12,502 | D |                          |
| Common<br>Stock <u>(4)</u> |            |  |                  |     |   |             | 122    | I | Trustee<br>FBO<br>Minors |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Pri<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>(Instr |  |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|------------------------------------|--|
|   |  |   |   | Code                                 | V (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date  | Title                              | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 14.76   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/15/2001   | 11/15/2010  | Common<br>Stock                    | 2,909                                  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 16.67   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/07/2002   | 11/07/2011  | Common<br>Stock                    | 3,325                                  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 17.83   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/18/2003   | 11/18/2012  | Common<br>Stock                    | 3,695                                  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 20.79   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/17/2004   | 11/17/2013  | Common<br>Stock                    | 3,519                                  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 20.87   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/16/2005   | 11/16/2014  | Common<br>Stock                    | 4,020                                  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 18.92   |   |   |                                      |  | 07/18/2006   | 07/18/2015  | Common<br>Stock                    | 320                                    |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 19.33   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/14/2006   | 11/14/2015  | Common<br>Stock                    | 4,468                                  |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 21.15   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/13/2007   | 11/13/2016  | Common<br>Stock                    | 4,255                                  |
|   | \$ 16.47   |   |   |                                      |  | 11/14/2008   | 11/14/2017  |                                    | 3,473                                  |

|               |         |            |            |              |       |
|---------------|---------|------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| Stock Options |         |            |            | Common Stock |       |
| Stock Options | \$ 15.7 | 11/17/2009 | 11/17/2018 | Common Stock | 1,103 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                     | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| Robbins Ira<br>1455 VALLEY ROAD<br>WAYNE, NJ 07470 |               |           | First Sr. VP and Treasurer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ IRA D.  
ROBBINS 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) 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.
- (2) Payment of tax liability by delivering or withholding securities incident to the receipt, or vesting of a restricted stock award.
- (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) Adjusted for additional shares acquired through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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