DAVEY STEPHEN P Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Plan) (2)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DAVEY STEPHEN P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP [VLY]				C	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1455 VALLI	· · ·	Middle)						Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
Filed(Mor				Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
WAYNE, NJ 07470 (City) (State) (Zip)								Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Executi	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) c l of (D))	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	02/07/2012			A	1,453 (1)	A	\$0	3,263	D	
Common Stock (401k								984	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 16.97					11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	3,491	
Stock Options	\$ 19.8					11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	3,325	
Stock Options	\$ 19.88					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	3,167	
Stock Options	\$ 18.42					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	3,351	
Stock Options	\$ 20.14					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	3,191	
Stock Options	\$ 15.68					11/14/2008	11/14/2017	Common Stock	2,310	
Stock Options	\$ 14.95					11/17/2009	11/17/2018	Common Stock	1,158	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address]	Relationships	
	Director	100% Oxymor	Officer	(

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DAVEY STEPHEN P 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ STEPHEN

DAVEY 03/15/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Restricted shares granted under VNB 2009 Long Term Stock Incentive Plan, vesting in three equal installments beginning one year from the grant date.
- (2) Holdings under the Valley 401K Plan has been updated to reflect reporting person's balance in the Plan.

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