

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION  
Form 8-K  
May 11, 2015

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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d)**  
**of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 7, 2015**

**WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**001-32550**  
**(Commission**

**88-0365922**  
**(IRS Employer**

**of incorporation)**

**File Number)**

**Identification No.)**

**One E. Washington Street, Suite 1400, Phoenix, Arizona 85004**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 389-3500**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On May 7, 2015, Western Alliance Bancorporation (the Company) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a prospectus supplement to the base prospectus contained in its effective shelf registration statement (File No. 333-203959) relating to the potential resale from time to time by selling securityholders of some or all of the shares of our Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B (the Series B Preferred Stock). The Series B Preferred Stock was originally issued by the Company pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement, dated September 27, 2011, between the Company and the Secretary of the Treasury. This Current Report is being filed to present certain exhibits, which shall be incorporated by reference into the prospectus and registration statement.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits.

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23.1	Consent of Hogan Lovells US LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION  
(Registrant)

/s/ Dale Gibbons  
Dale Gibbons  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

Date: May 8, 2015

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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