

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION

Form 4

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1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SHIREY TERRY ALAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE
BANCORPORATION, 2700 WEST
SAHARA AVENUE**

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**WESTERN ALLIANCE
BANCORPORATION [WAL]**3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/26/20064. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)
SVP, Controller6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	04/26/2006		X		500	A	\$ 12	2,500	D
Common Stock	04/26/2006		X		250	A	\$ 16.5	2,750	D
Common Stock	04/26/2006		S		750	D	\$ 36.96	2,000	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. 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. Filing Date of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12	04/26/2006		X	500	<u>(1)</u>	07/27/2014	Common Stock	500	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.5	04/26/2006		X	250	<u>(2)</u>	01/25/2015	Common Stock	250	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SHIREY TERRY ALAN C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION 2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE LAS VEGAS, NV 89102	SVP, Controller

Signatures

/s/ Terry Shirey 04/26/2006

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) The option vests in five equal installments beginning on July 27, 2005.
- (2) The option vests in five equal installments beginning on January 25, 2006.

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