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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading FARRELL ROBERT E Issuer Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP (Check all applicable) [VLY] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1455 VALLEY ROAD 02/07/2012 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WAYNE, NJ 07470-Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 9,740 02/07/2012 A A \$0 86,997 $D^{(1)}$ Stock (2) (3) Common 0 I **Spouse** Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 12.5					11/15/2011	11/15/2020	Common Stock	8,384
Stock Options	\$ 16.97					11/18/2003	11/18/2012	Common Stock	8,688
Stock Options	\$ 19.8					11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	8,866
Stock Options	\$ 19.88					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	8,443
Stock Options	\$ 18.42					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	9,383
Stock Options	\$ 20.14					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	8,934
Stock Options	\$ 15.68					11/14/2008	11/14/2017	Common Stock	5,470

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FARRELL ROBERT E						
1455 VALLEY ROAD			EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT			
WAYNE, NJ 07470-						
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Signatures

/s/ ROBERT E.
FARRELL

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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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) The shares held by Mr. Farrell's spouse has been consolidated, jointly onto Mr. Farrell's holdings (from indirect to direct holdings.)
- (2) Valley National Bancorp declared a 5% stock dividend on April 13, 2011, to shareholders of record on May 6, 2011, payable May 20, 2011.
- (3) Restricted shares granted under the Valley National Bancorp 2009 Long Term Incentive Stock Plan, with three-year equal vesting, beginning at grant date.

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