

Robbins Ira  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
11/17/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
First Sr. VP and Treasurer

WAYNE, NJ 07470  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	11/17/2011		F(2)	201 D \$ 11.82	12,861	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	11/17/2011		F(2)	303 D \$ 11.82	12,558	D	
Common Stock <u>(3)</u>					128	I	Trustee FBO 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 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. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options	\$ 16.97					Date Exercisable: 11/18/2003 Expiration Date: 11/18/2012	Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares: 3,880
Stock Options	\$ 19.8					11/17/2004 11/17/2013	Common Stock	3,695
Stock Options	\$ 19.88					11/16/2005 11/16/2014	Common Stock	4,221
Stock Options	\$ 18.01					07/18/2006 07/18/2015	Common Stock	336
Stock Options	\$ 18.42					11/14/2006 11/14/2015	Common Stock	4,691
Stock Options	\$ 20.14					11/13/2007 11/13/2016	Common Stock	4,468
Stock Options	\$ 15.68					11/14/2008 11/14/2017	Common Stock	3,647
Stock Options	\$ 14.95					11/17/2009 11/17/2018	Common Stock	1,158

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

Robbins Ira  
1455 VALLEY ROAD  
WAYNE, NJ 07470

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

First Sr. VP and Treasurer

## Signatures

/s/ IRA D.

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  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% stock dividend on April 13, 2011, to shareholders of record on May 6, 2011, payable May 20, 2011.
- (2) Shares withheld for payment of tax liability on restricted stock vesting.
- (3) Adjusted for additional shares acquired through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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