

NAGY M NAFEES  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
NAGY M NAFEES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WESTERN ALLIANCE  
BANCORPORATION [WAL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1115 TROPHY HILLS DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/06/2013

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89134

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/06/2013		M		1,250	A	\$ 7.61	27,560	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>		39,934	D	\$ 0	346,224	I	Sajan Alliance, LLC
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>		19,967	A	\$ 0	19,967	I	Nagy 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1
	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>		19,967	A	\$ 0	35,214	I	

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Common Stock									Nagy 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #2
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>	19,967	D	\$ 0	0	I	Nagy 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>	13,796	D	\$ 0	21,418	I	Nagy 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #2
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>	33,763	A	\$ 0	33,763	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>	33,763	D	\$ 0	0	I	By Spouse
Common Stock							71,454	I	Shamim N. Nagy Separate Property Trust
Common Stock	02/06/2013		J <sup>(1)</sup>	33,763	A	\$ 0	33,763	I	Sunset Properties Group LLC

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. D S (I)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number

								of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 7.61	02/06/2013		M	1,250	01/30/2013	01/30/2016	Common Stock	1,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NAGY M NAFEES 1115 TROPHY HILLS DRIVE LAS VEGAS, NV 89134		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons  
(Attorney-in-fact) 02/08/2013

\_\_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) On February 6, 2013, Sajan Alliance, LLC (whose shareholdings the reporting person may be deemed to beneficially own as a result of his spouse's role as manager and trustee of the trusts which are members thereof) distributed 19,967 shares to the Nagy 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1 ("GRAT 1") and 19,967 shares to the Nagy 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #2 ("GRAT 2"). The reporting person's spouse is the trustee and income beneficiary of both GRAT 1 and GRAT 2. On February 6, 2013, GRAT 1 transferred 19,967 shares and GRAT 2 transferred 13,796 shares to the reporting person's spouse, who then transferred the shares to the Sunset Properties Group, LLC over which the reporting person has indirect beneficial ownership.

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