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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 * PAYNE DAVID L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION [WABC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2008					_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					erson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemec Execution D any (Month/Day	Date, if	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/31/2008			S	1,200	D	\$ 48.94	6,422	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2008			M	66	A	\$ 34.5625	6,488	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2008			S	66	D	\$ 48.96	6,422	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2008			M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	6,622	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2008			S	200	D	\$ 48.98	6,422	D	

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Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	125	A	\$ 34.5625	6,547	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	125	D	\$ 48.99	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	103	A	\$ 34.5625	6,525	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	103	D	\$ 49	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	6,622	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	200	D	\$ 49.01	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	6,622	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	200	D	\$ 49.02	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	99	A	\$ 34.5625	6,521	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	99	D	\$ 49.03	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	6,622	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	200	D	\$ 49.06	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	300	A	\$ 34.5625	6,722	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	300	D	\$ 49.11	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	6,622	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	200	D	\$ 49.14	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	3	A	\$ 34.5625	6,425	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	3	D	\$ 49.17	6,422	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	M	100	A	\$ 34.5625	6,522	D
Common Stock	01/31/2008	S	100	D	\$ 49.23	6,422	D

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PAYNE DAVID L							
	X		Chairman, President & CEO				

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By: /s/ David L. Payne 02/04/2008

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Includes valuations through 12/31/07 in Westamerica Bancorporation's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement (ESOP) Plan

Remarks:

This is filing #9 of 9 filings at this date for the reporting person.

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