#### ABRAMSON ANDREW B

Form 5

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Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ABRAMSON ANDREW B Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP (Check all applicable) [VLY] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) \_X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2009 1455 VALLEY ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) WAYNE, NJÂ 07470-Y Form Filed by One Reporting Pers

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-Der	ivative Se	curitio	es Acqı	iired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally 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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) of d of (D 4 and (A) or	<b>)</b> )	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock (2)	12/17/2009	Â	G	3,666	D	\$0	117,416	D (1)	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	3,175	I	Abramson Family Fund Trust
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	8,446	I (1)	Wife
Common	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	1,567	I (1)	Wife - Ira

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Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	28,426	I (1)	Wife Trustee
Common Stock (Roth IRA)	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	6,292	D (1)	Â

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)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe				
ABRAMSON ANDREW B 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-	ÂX	Â	Â	Â				

## **Signatures**

/s/ ANDREW B.
ABRAMSON

\*\*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) Adjusted for additional shares acquired through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Valley National Bancorp declared a 5% dividend on April 14, 2009, issued on May 22, 2009 to shareholders of record on May 8, 2009. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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