ZBACNIK FRANK R

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZBACNIK FRANK R		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION [WABC]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2006				Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP/Chief Credit Administrator				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	e) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	ate, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or			d of (D) 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)		
Common Stock	10/23/2006			Code M	V	Amount 570	(D)	Price \$ 40.75	605.5787	D	
Common Stock	10/23/2006			S		570	D	\$ 49.95	35.5787	D	
Common Stock	10/23/2006			M		400	A	\$ 40.75	435.5787	D	
Common Stock	10/23/2000			S		400	D	\$ 49.94	35.5787	D	
Common Stock	10/23/2006			M		4,330	A	\$ 40.75	4,365.5787	D	

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Common Stock	10/23/2006	S	4,330	D	\$ 49.9	35.5787 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock						4,270	I	Deferred
Common Stock						10,620.762 (2)	I	ESOP

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ame Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or No of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.75	10/23/2006		M	570	01/23/2004(3)	01/23/2013	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.75	10/23/2006		M	400	01/23/2004(3)	01/23/2013	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.75	10/23/2006		M	4,330	01/23/2004(3)	01/23/2013	Common Stock	4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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SVP/Chief Credit Administrator

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Signatures

/s/ Frank R.

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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) Includes dividends reinvested through 8/18/06.
- (2) Includes allocations through 9/30/06, the latest quarterly report, to Westamerica Bancorporation's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement (ESOP) Plan.
- (3) Options vest ratably over three years beginning one year from date of grant.

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