

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION

Form 4

October 28, 2014

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WALL MERRILL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE
BANCORPORATION, ONE E.
WASHINGTON STREET, STE
1400**

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/24/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Chief Admin Officer

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

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/24/2014		M	15,000	A \$ 15.9	134,147	D
Common Stock	10/24/2014		S	15,000	D \$ (1) 24,5799	119,147	D
Common Stock					5,967 (2)	I	401K Plan

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.9	10/24/2014		M		15,000		01/23/2012	01/23/2015	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WALL MERRILL
C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION
ONE E. WASHINGTON STREET, STE 1400
PHOENIX, AZ 85004

EVP, Chief Admin Officer

Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons
(Attorney-in-fact) 10/28/2014

__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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$24.52 to \$24.7016, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Western Alliance Bancorporation, any security holder of Western Alliance Bancorporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.

(2) Reflects shares held in the 401K Plan to include employer match as of 10/16/14.

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