

Baum Peter J  
 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 \*  
 Baum Peter J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP  
 [VLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1455 VALLEY ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/15/2012

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

WAYNE, NJ 07470

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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) |        |   |                                       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--------|---|---------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |        |   |                                       |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u>         | 11/15/2012                           |  | P                              | V   | 1,000   | A  | \$ 8.6631                                  | 34,117 | D |                                       |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u>         |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |  | 3,075  | I | Co-Trustee with spouse (for daughter) |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u>         |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |  | 3,075  | I | Co-Trustee with spouse (for son)      |

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                      | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Baum Peter J<br>1455 VALLEY ROAD<br>WAYNE, NJ 07470 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ PETER J.  
BAUM

11/15/2012

\*\*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) Valley National Bancorp declared a 5% stock dividend on April 18, 2012, issued May 25, 2012 to shareholders of record on May 11, 2012.

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