

GIBBONS DALE
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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 *
GIBBONS DALE

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
EVP, Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE
BANCORPORATION, ONE E.
WASHINGTON STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/14/2012

(Street)
PHOENIX, AZ 85004

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/14/2012		F	1,136 D \$ 8.06	147,150	D	
Common Stock					2,139	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)

Table with 9 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address and Relationships. Includes GIBBONS DALE C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION and EVP, Chief Financial Officer.

Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons (Attorney-in-fact) 01/26/2012 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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