BOYD WILLIAM S

Form 4

September 19, 2012

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BOYD WILLIAM S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol WESTERN ALLIANCE

BANCORPORATION [WAL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

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

_X__ Director 10% Owner _Other (specify Officer (give title below)

2950 SOUTH INDUSTRIAL ROAD 09/17/2012

(Zip)

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

LAS VEGAS, NV 89109

(City)

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquir Transaction(A) or Disposed of (Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) H			of (D)	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	09/17/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	213,106	A	\$0	225,884	D		
Common Stock	09/17/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	126,784	A	\$0	352,668	D		
Common Stock	09/17/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	339,890	D	\$ 0	12,778	D		
Common Stock	09/17/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	339,890	A	\$0	4,054,182	I	William S. Boyd Trust	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	Secui
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	Derivative				Securities	3		(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	of		
				Codo V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOYD WILLIAM S 2950 SOUTH INDUSTRIAL ROAD X LAS VEGAS, NV 89109

Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons (Attorney-in-fact) 09/19/2012

**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).

On September 17, 2012, The WAL-10 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1 and The WAL-10 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #2, of which reporting person has no investment or voting control, transferred 213,106 and 126,784 shares, respectively, to William S. Boyd. William S. Boyd then transferred 339,890 shares to the William S. Boyd Trust.

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