

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

Form 4

January 06, 2003

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
LIPKIN, GERALD H.
1455 VALLEY ROAD
WAYNE, NJ 07470-
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP (VLY)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year
01/06/2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
CHAIRMAN PRESIDENT AND CEO
7. 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	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A.Execu- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount A/D Price	5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Follow Report Transa
Common Stock	01/02/2003		G V	-10000 D \$0.0000	207950
Common Stock					62244
Common Stock					4818
Common Stock					0
Common Stock					0
Common Stock					0
Common Stock					0
Common Stock					0
Common Stock					0
Common Stock					0
Common Stock / IRA					5130

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401K
Common Stock (with Spouse)

629
99

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	3A.	4.	5.	6.	7.
Title of Derivative Security	Price of	Date	Date	Transaction Code	V	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title
Stock	\$12					02/20/2006	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$15.2					02/18/2007	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$17.6					02/12/2010	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$20					01/05/2009	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$20.8					02/09/2008	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$26.7					02/15/2012	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$20					01/05/2009	Common Stock
Option							
Stock	\$20.8					02/09/2008	Common Stock
Appreciation Right							
STOCK	\$22.27					02/08/2011	COMMON
OPTION/NQ							STK.
STOCK	\$26.7					02/15/2012	Common
OPTION/NQ							Stock

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ GERALD H. LIPKIN

DATE
01/06/2003