

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP
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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 *
MILLER RICHARD S

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)
03/09/2005

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/09/2005		M	4,919 A \$ 5.16	13,461	D	
IRA					20,337	D	
W/WIFE					24,513	D	
Common Stock					6,097 ⁽¹⁾	I	BY WIFE
Common Stock					1,847	I	CORPORATION

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		
STOCK OPTION/NQ	\$ 7.26					11/01/1996	04/30/2006	Common Stock	1,21
STOCK OPTION/NQ	\$ 8.7					11/07/1997	05/06/2007	Common Stock	1,21
STOCK OPTION/NQ	\$ 11.61					10/27/1998	04/27/2008	Common Stock	1,21
STOCK OPTION/NQ	\$ 5.08	03/09/2005		M	4,919	11/15/1995	05/16/2005	Common Stock	4,91
STOCK OPTION/NQ	\$ 5.08	03/10/2005		J ⁽²⁾	1	11/16/1995	05/16/2005	Common Stock	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MILLER RICHARD S 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-	X			

Signatures

RICHARD S
MILLER 03/10/2005

**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 declared a 5 percent stock dividend on April 7, 2004, payable May 17, 2004 to stockholders of record on May 3, 2004.

(2) Adjust roundings

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