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FORM 4

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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 * ENGEL ALBERT L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP [VLY]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1455 VALL		Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D) 02/07/20	ay/Year)	Fransaction			Director 10% Owner Street (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President			
	(Street)		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				
WAYNE, N.					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Day (Month/Day/Year	Execution any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	sposed	l of	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)	
Common Stock (1)	02/07/2012			A	16,234 (2)	A	\$0	111,226	D		
Common Stock (401k Plan)								3,686	D (3)		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber 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 1 5 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 12.5					11/15/2011	11/15/2020	Common Stock	11,878	
Stock Options	\$ 19.8					11/17/2004	11/17/2013	Common Stock	10,341	
Stock Options	\$ 19.88					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	14,070	
Stock Options	\$ 18.42					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	19,432	
Stock Options	\$ 20.14					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	21,059	
Stock Options	\$ 15.38					02/12/2009	02/12/2018	Common Stock	20,057	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

ENGEL ALBERT L 1455 VALLEY ROAD WAYNE, NJ 07470-

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ ALBERT L. 02/08/2012 ENGEL

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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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 13, 2011, to shareholders of record on May 6, 2011, payable May 20, 2011.
- (2) Restricted shares granted under the Valley National Bancorp 2009 Long Term Incentive Stock Plan, with three-year equal vesting, beginning at grant date.
- (3) Holdings under the Valley 401K Plan has been updated to reflect reporting person's balance in the Plan.

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