

LENNER MARC J  
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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 \*  
LENNER MARC J

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)  
11/04/2011

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)

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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 <sup>(1)</sup>                | 11/04/2011                           |  | S                              |   | 162,940 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D  | \$ 11.8556  | 21,248 | I | The Lester M. Entin Trust - 50% Trustee |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> <sub>(3)</sub> |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |   | 27,519 | D |   |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> <sub>(3)</sub> |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |   | 10,033 | I | Custodian For Daughters                 |

|  |        |   |                       |
|--|--------|---|-----------------------|
| Common<br>Stock <u>(1)</u><br><u>(3)</u> | 10,036 | I | Custodian<br>For Sons |
| Common<br>Stock <u>(1)</u><br><u>(3)</u> | 411    | I | Spouse                |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                        | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LENNER MARC J<br>1455 VALLEY ROAD<br>WAYNE, NJ 07470- | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ MARC J.  
LENNER 11/07/2011

\*\*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 National Bancorp declared 5% stock dividends paid in each of May 2009, May 2010 and May 2011.

These shares are held by a family trust, created by the estate of the grandfather of Mr. Lenner, for which Mr. Lenner is a co-trustee. The trust is selling its Valley shares as part of tax planning for the estate. Subject to certain legal issues, the Trust may purchase a similar

(2) number of Valley shares in the future. Shares held in the trust are for the benefit of descendants of Mr. Lenner's grandparents. Mr. Lenner is an indirect beneficiary of only 25% of the trust. Mr. Lenner disclaims any pecuniary interest in the ownership of the other portion of the trust.

(3) Adjusted for additional shares acquired through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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