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VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP Form 4 February 04, 2014 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ESKOW ALAN D Issuer Symbol VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP (Check all applicable) [VLY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1455 VALLEY ROAD 01/31/2014 Senior EVP & CFO, Director (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WAYNE, NJ 07470-Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common S 01/31/2014 F 5,918 D 152,626 D Stock (1) 9.92 Common 60,484 01/31/2014 \$0 D А А 213,110 (2) Stock (1) Common Ι Ira/wife 1,254 Stock (1) Common 51,796 Ι Spouse Stock Common 4.690 D Stock (401k Plan)

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(3)					
Common					
Stock (Roth	10,578	D			
IRA)					
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	red, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned ptions, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. De Se (It
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 11.91					11/15/2011	11/15/2020	Common Stock	21,170	
Stock Options	\$ 18.93					11/16/2005	11/16/2014	Common Stock	17,732	
Stock Options	\$ 17.54					11/14/2006	11/14/2015	Common Stock	20,401	
Stock Options	\$ 19.19					11/13/2007	11/13/2016	Common Stock	22,112	
Stock Options	\$ 14.65					02/12/2009	02/12/2018	Common Stock	21,059	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
ESKOW ALAN D 1455 VALLEY ROAD	Х		Senior EVP & CFO, Director		
WAYNE, NJ 07470-			,,, _,, _		

Signatures

/s/ M. NASETTE ARANDA, AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

02/04/2014

**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) Adjusted for additional shares acquired through Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

Restricted shares granted under the Valley National Bancorp 2009 Long Term Incentive Stock Plan. 30,242 of the shares are time-based
(2) with three-year equal vesting beginning at grant date. 30,242 of the shares are subject to performance-based vesting conditions over a three-year performance period, all of which may be forfeited in the event performance conditions are not satisfied.

(3) Holdings under the Valley 401K Plan has been updated to reflect reporting person's balance in the Plan.

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