

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 JOHNSON MARIANNE BOYD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION [WAL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION, 2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/25/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
 LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	06/25/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>		75,000	D	\$ 0	265,998	I	By The Marianne E. Boyd Trust, dated January 9, 2007 <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock								202,206	I	By BG-05 Limited Partnership
								72,010	D	

Common  
Stock

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Stock

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9,638

I

By the  
William and  
Myong  
Boyd  
Children's  
Trust

257,143

I

By the Boyd  
2005  
Irrevocable  
Trust, dated  
April 14,  
2005

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. Nu
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

JOHNSON MARIANNE BOYD  
C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION  
2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE  
LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

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## Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons  
(Attorney-in-fact)

06/29/2010

\_\_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) On June 25, 2010, the 2007 Trust transferred 75,000 shares to WAL-10, LLC (the "LLC") in exchange for a 4.59% membership interest in the LLC. The reporting person has no investment or voting control over the LLC.
- (2) On June 21, 2010, the reporting person reported 7,999 shares held by The Marianne E. Boyd Trust, dated January 9, 2007 (the "2007 Trust"), and 332,999 shares held by The Marianne E. Boyd Trust, dated March 7, 1989 (the "1989 Trust"). The 1989 Trust was in fact updated in 2007 and renamed the 2007 Trust such that the 2007 Trust is not separate from the 1989 Trust. Therefore, the 2007 Trust held 340,998 shares as of June 21, 2010.

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