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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BAKER PAUL L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION [WAL] 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zin)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2007

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title

_X__ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION, 2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(State)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

(City)	(State) (Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq					uired, 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	02/20/2007		Code V	Amount 4,750	(A) or (D)	Price \$ 34.39	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 54,750	I	Baker Family Trust	
Common Stock	02/21/2007		P	5,250	A	\$ 34.36	60,000	I	Baker Family Trust	
Common Stock							242,355	D		

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

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 au	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Director} & \frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}} & \text{Officer} & \text{Other} \end{array}$

BAKER PAUL L C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION 2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE LAS VEGAS, NV 89102



Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons, Attorney-in-Fact

02/22/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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