

MEYER ROBERT  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
MEYER ROBERT

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)  
04/29/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President

WAYNE, NJ 07470-  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)
Common Stock (with Spouse)	04/29/2009	05/04/2009	S	30,000	D \$ 14.8218 <u>(1)</u>	107,327	D
Common Stock						42,440	D
Common Stock (401k Plan)						2,753 <u>(2)</u>	D

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option/NQ	\$ 18.77					11/27/2002 11/27/2011	Common Stock	12,691
Stock Options	\$ 13.93					11/23/2000 11/23/2009	Common Stock	18,471
Stock Options	\$ 15.91					11/28/2001 11/28/2010	Common Stock	19,347
Stock Options	\$ 18.77					11/27/2002 11/27/2011	Common Stock	5,735
Stock Options	\$ 19.66					11/18/2003 11/18/2012	Common Stock	16,082
Stock Options	\$ 22.92					11/17/2004 11/17/2013	Common Stock	15,316
Stock Options	\$ 23.01					11/16/2005 11/16/2014	Common Stock	14,587
Stock Options	\$ 21.31					11/14/2006 11/14/2015	Common Stock	16,785
Stock Options	\$ 23.32					11/13/2007 11/13/2016	Common Stock	18,191
Stock Options	\$ 17.81					02/12/2009 02/12/2018	Common Stock	17,326

