

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION
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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 *
WALL MERRILL

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, ONE E. WASHINGTON STREET, STE 1400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/24/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Chief Admin Officer

(Street)
PHOENIX, AZ 85004

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/24/2017		A	1,320 A	\$ 0 91,764	D	
Common Stock					6,223 ⁽¹⁾	I	401K Plan

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)

Table with 10 columns: 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 Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5), and 10. Title of Reporting Person (Instr. 5).

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WALL MERRILL
C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION
ONE E. WASHINGTON STREET, STE 1400
PHOENIX, AZ 85004

EVP, Chief Admin Officer

Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons 01/26/2017
(ATorney-in-fact)

**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) Reflects shares held in the 401K Plan to include employer match as of 1/19/17.

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