

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol                   |  |
| Â CRANDELL MITCHELL L                     |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP [VLY]  |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 01/03/2007   |  |
| 1455 VALLEY ROAD                          |         |                                      | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                     | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| WAYNE,Â NJÂ 07470                         |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      | (give title below) (specify below)                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
|   |         |                                      | First SVP & CAO  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 500 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | D  | Â   |
| Common Stock                    | 12 <sup>(2)</sup>                                     | I  | By 401(k)   |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|
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|               | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| Stock Options | Â (3)            | 11/13/2016      | Common Stock | 2,011                      | \$ 19.19 | D Â                                   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| CRANDELL MITCHELL L<br>1455 VALLEY ROAD<br>WAYNE, NJ 07470 | Â             | Â         | Â First SVP & CAO | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/ Mitchell L.  
Crandell

05/01/2015

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Restricted stock award granted on November 13, 2006 under the VNB 1999 Long Term Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") which vested in five equal annual installments commencing with the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Reporting person's total shares held under Valley's 401(k) plan as of the Date of Event Requiring Statement.
- (3) Stock option award granted under the Plan which vested and became exercisable in five equal annual installments commencing with the first anniversary of the November 13, 2006 grant date. Amounts are adjusted to reflect 5% stock dividends since date of grant.

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