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	STATES	S SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549						OMB Number:	3235-0287			
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(Print or Type Respon	nses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SNYDER DONALD D			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION [WAL]				-	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) ( C/O WESTERN BANCORPORA SAHARA AVEN	ALLIANCI TION, 2700		3. Date c	of Earliest Tr Day/Year)	_		1	X Director Officer (give below)		% Owner her (specify		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
LAS VEGAS, N	V 89102							Form filed by M Person	More than One R	eporting		
(City) (	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities A	cquired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
	ansaction Date th/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D) and and (A) or	)	Securities I Beneficially ( Owned (	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect		
Reminder: Report on	a separate line	e for each cla	ass of sec	urities benef	-		-	or indirectly.	tion of	SEC 1474		

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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 2. 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. I 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Underlying Securities De (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) Sec (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (In Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V Title (A) (D) Date Expiration Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Option Common (1) 04/18/2013 \$ 38.28 04/18/2006 Α 5,000 5,000 (right to Stock buy)

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# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Ado	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SNYDER DONALD D C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCO 2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE LAS VEGAS, NV 89102	Х					
Signatures						
/s/ Dale Gibbons, Attorney-in-Fact	04/19/2006					
**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) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on April 18, 2007.

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