

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION

Form 4

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**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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See Instruction  
1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Sarver Robert Gary2. 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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/23/2016☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)  
Chairman and CEOC/O WESTERN ALLIANCE  
BANCORPORATION, ONE E.  
WASHINGTON STREET, STE  
1400

(Street)

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

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/23/2016		S		50,000	D \$ 45.82 <u>(1)</u>	1,055,075	D	
Common Stock							7,971	I	Robert G. Sarver Trust dated 09/29/1997
Common Stock							30,000	I	Spouse

Common Stock	202,958	I	Sarver Family Trust dated 09/29/1997
Common Stock	23,800	I	SF III Ltd Partnership
Common Stock	33,105	I	Vulture II Corporation
Common Stock	6,185 <sup>(2)</sup>	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)

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 Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sarver Robert Gary C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION ONE E. WASHINGTON STREET, STE 1400 PHOENIX, AZ 85004	X		Chairman and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons  
(Attorney-in-fact)

11/28/2016

\_\_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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$45.72 to \$46.11, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Western Alliance Bancorporation, any security holder of Western Alliance Bancorporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.

(2) Reflects shares held in the 401K Plan to include employer match as of 11/24/16.

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