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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Robinson David L Issuer Symbol WESTAMERICA (Check all applicable) BANCORPORATION [WABC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) WESTAMERICA 10/27/2011 SVP/Banking Division Manager BANCORPORATION, 4550

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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FAIRFIELD, CA 94534

(State)

(Zip)

MANGELS BLVD

(City)

(City)	(State)	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. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	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	10/27/2011		M	10,820	A	\$ 40.75	11,145.2175	D			
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S	10,820	D	\$ 45.2777	325.2175	D			
Common Stock							16,290	I	Deferred		
Common Stock							882.29 (2)	I	Esop		

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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 or 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 An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	o N
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.75	10/27/2011		M	10,820	01/23/2004(3)	01/23/2013	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Robinson David L WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION 4550 MANGELS BLVD FAIRFIELD, CA 94534

SVP/Banking Division Manager

Signatures

/s/ David L. Robinson 10/27/2011

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) This is a weighted average price of multiple transactions for the same option. The sale prices range from \$45.00 to \$45.68.
- (2) Includes allocations through 09/30/2011 to Westamerica Bancorporation's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement (ESOP) Plan.
- (3) Options vest ratably over three years beginning one year from date of grant.

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