

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 \*  
**MARSHALL TODD**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE  
 BANCORPORATION, 2700 WEST  
 SAHARA AVENUE

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**WESTERN ALLIANCE  
 BANCORPORATION [WAL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/27/2006**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)                     |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 30,000  | I  | By The<br>Todd<br>Marshall<br>Revocable<br>Trust UAD<br>4/1/03 |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 79,791  | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 429,970   | I  | By The<br>Todd   |

|              |            |  |   |       |   |          |        |   |  |
|--------------|------------|--|---|-------|---|----------|--------|---|--|
|              |            |  |   |       |   |          |        |   | Marshall Revocable Family Trust, Dated April 13, 2000              |
| Common Stock | 02/27/2006 |  | P | 1,000 | A | \$ 33.75 | 3,570  | I | By Alexis V. Marshall Trust 12/27/1996                             |
| Common Stock | 02/27/2006 |  | P | 1,000 | A | \$ 33.75 | 3,570  | I | By Jessica L. Marshall Trust 12/27/1996                            |
| Common Stock |            |  |   |       |   |          | 33,069 | I | By The Todd Marshall 1997 Trust FBO Jessica Lauren Marshall Trust  |
| Common Stock |            |  |   |       |   |          | 33,069 | I | By The Todd Marshall 1997 Trust FBO Alexis Victoria Marshall Trust |

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, | 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 Owned Beneficially (Instr. 3, |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|

4, and 5)

| Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |              |         |       |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |
| MARSHALL TODD<br>C/O WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION<br>2700 WEST SAHARA AVENUE<br>LAS VEGAS, NV 89102 | X             |              |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Dale Gibbons, 02/28/2006  
Attorney-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).

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