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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION [WABC]				I	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/25/2008			_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO				
	(Street)		Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Or					nt/Group Filing(Check ne Reporting Person ore than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		n Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed 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	07/25/2008			M	100	A	\$ 34.5625	39,689	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2008			S	100	D	\$ 50.97	39,589	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2008			M	100	A	\$ 34.5625	39,689	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2008			S	100	D	\$ 50.965	39,589	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2008			M	1,000	A	\$ 34.5625	40,589	D	

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Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 50.96	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	100	A	\$ 34.5625	39,689	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	100	D	\$ 50.94	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	39,789	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	200	D	\$ 50.92	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	200	A	\$ 34.5625	39,789	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	200	D	\$ 50.915	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	100	A	\$ 34.5625	39,689	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	100	D	\$ 50.91	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	100	A	\$ 34.5625	39,689	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	100	D	\$ 50.9	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	300	A	\$ 34.5625	39,889	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	300	D	\$ 50.89	39,589	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	M	156	A	\$ 34.5625	39,745	D
Common Stock	07/25/2008	S	156	D	\$ 50.86	39,589	D

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Am
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Secu
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Vear)	(Instr 8)	Acquired		

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	Derivative Security			(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A on N of Si
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	100	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	100	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	1,000	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	100	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	200	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	200	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	300	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.5625	07/25/2008	M	156	01/28/2000(1)	01/28/2009	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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X Chairman, President & CEO

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/s/ David L. 07/29/2008 Payne

**Signature of

Reporting Person

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Options vest ratebly over three years beginning one year from date of grant.

Remarks:

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