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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Robinson David L

Symbol WESTAMERICA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BANCORPORATION [WABC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

01/25/2010

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title

below)

SVP/Banking Division Manager

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION, 4550 MANGELS BLVD

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

FAIRFIELD, CA 94534

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of, o	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. Securition of Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of ((D)	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	01/25/2010		M	11,510	A	\$ 39.4062	11,734.4675	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2010		S	11,510	D	\$ 57.09	224.4675	D	
Common Stock							13,430	I	Deferred
Common Stock							543.153 <u>(1)</u>	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A o N o
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.4062	01/25/2010		M	11,510	01/25/2002(2)	01/25/2011	Common Stock	1

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/ Shirley Kolin, Attorney in Fact, for David L.
Robinson 01/27/2010

**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) Includes allocations through 12/31/2009 to Westamerica Bancorporation's Tax Deferred Savings/Retirement (ESOP) Plan.
- (2) Options vest ratably over three years beginning one year from date of grant.

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