

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 PAYNE DAVID L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION [WABC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/09/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman, President & CEO

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

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	10/24/2005		M	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005		S	D	\$ 51.223	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005		M	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005		S	D	\$ 51.279	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005		M	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D

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Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.354	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.3641	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.369	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.3693	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.3868	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.4069	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.412	0	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 15.4583	1,000	D
Common Stock	10/24/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.435	0	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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	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)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security			or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
	Code	V	(A)	(D)			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	23,750	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)							common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	4,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	2,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	2,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	2,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.4583	10/24/2005	M	1,000	01/24/1997 ⁽¹⁾	01/24/2006	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PAYNE DAVID L	X		Chairman, President & CEO	

Signatures

by: David L.
Payne

10/26/2005

**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) Options vest ratably over three years beginning one year after grant date.

Remarks:

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