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Form 8-K June 05, 2008

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

May 30, 2008

# Western Alliance Bancorporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada	001-32550	88-0365922
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
2700 W. Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada		89102
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		702.248.4200
	Not Applicable	
Former na	me or former address, if changed since la	ast report
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Departure of Principal Accounting Officer

On May 30, 2008, Terry Shirey notified Western Alliance Bancorporation (the "Company") of his resignation as Principal Accounting Officer, effective June 20, 2008. Mr. Shirey has accepted a job opportunity with another company.

Appointment of Principal Accounting Officer

On June 5, 2008, the Company appointed Thomas W. Edington, CPA, to the position of Principal Accounting Officer. The appointment is effective as of June 20, 2008.

Mr. Edington, age 38, is a graduate of Brigham Young University where he received his Bachelor of Science in Accountancy and Master of Accountancy degrees. Mr. Edington previously worked from September 1995 through January 2003 for McGladrey & Pullen, LLP in both audit and accounting functions, specializing in commercial banking. From February 2003 through January 2007 Mr. Edington worked for Silver State Financial Services, Inc. as the Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Edington has been employed with the Company since February 2007 as Senior Vice President and Tax Manager.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Western Alliance Bancorporation

June 5, 2008 By: Dale Gibbons

Name: Dale Gibbons

Title: Chief Financial Officer