WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION Form 8-K/A August 10, 2009

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K/A 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 14, 2009 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)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2700 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

(Address of principal executive offices)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (702) 248-4200
Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

# **Explanatory Note**

This Form 8-K/A amends the Form 8-K filed by Western Alliance Bancorporation on May 18, 2009, to refile the previously filed Underwriting Agreement dated May 14, 2009, to include the exhibits and schedules thereto, which were previously omitted.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

#### Exhibit

No. Description

1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated May 14, 2009, among Western Alliance Bancorporation, Keefe,

Bruyette & Woods and D.A. Davidson & Co.

### **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

(Registrant)

/s/ Dales Gibbons

Dale Gibbons Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 10, 2009

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