

THORSON JOHN A

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
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1(b).**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 *
THORSON JOHN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**WESTAMERICA
BANCORPORATION [WABC]**3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/17/20084. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify
below) SVP/Chief Financial Officer6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person**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) (A) or (D)	Price	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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M	283	A \$ 24	312.503	D	
Common Stock	04/17/2008		S	283	D \$ 55.28	29.503	D	
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M	399	A \$ 24	428.503	D	
Common Stock	04/17/2008		S	399	D \$ 55.29	29.503	D	
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M	100	A \$ 24	129.503	D	

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Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	100	D	\$ 55.3	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	903	A	\$ 24	932.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	903	D	\$ 55.31	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	200	A	\$ 24	229.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	200	D	\$ 55.33	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	200	A	\$ 24	229.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	200	D	\$ 55.34	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	200	A	\$ 24	229.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	200	D	\$ 55.35	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	306	A	\$ 24	335.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	306	D	\$ 55.36	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	100	A	\$ 24	129.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	100	D	\$ 55.38	29.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	200	A	\$ 24	229.503	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008	S	200	D	\$ 55.39	29.503	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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	Derivative Security	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Code	V	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
		(A)	(D)						
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	283
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	399
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	100
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	903
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	200
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	200
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	200
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	200
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	306
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	100
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24		04/17/2008	M		01/25/2001 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2010	Common Stock	200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

THORSON JOHN A

SVP/Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ John "Robert" A.
Thorson

04/21/2008

__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 from date of grant.

Remarks:

This is filing #2 of five filings for this date for this reporting person.

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