

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION

Form 8-K

August 20, 2010

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**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): August 20, 2010

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)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(702) 248-4200**

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

This report on Form 8-K makes available information regarding the computation of the ratio of earnings to fixed charges for Western Alliance Bancorporation (the Company) and its subsidiaries for the six-month period ended June 30, 2010, and the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005. The information contained in Exhibit 12.1 to this report on Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
12.1	Statement Regarding Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.

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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**
(Registrant)

Date: August 20, 2010

By: /s/ Dale Gibbons
Dale Gibbons
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

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