

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION  
Form 8-K  
October 13, 2005

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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):

October 12, 2005

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 name or former address, if changed since last report

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**Item 3.03 Material Modifications to Rights of Security Holders.**

See Item 5.03.

**Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On October 12, 2005, the Company amended its Amended and Restated By-Laws to add a new Section 9 to Article VII. The new section establishes limited exemptions from the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes 78.378 to 78.3793. Such amendment became effective immediately upon adoption by the Board of Directors. This description does not purport to be complete, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Company, which are attached as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and are incorporated by reference herein.

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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.

*October 13, 2005*

Western Alliance Bancorporation

By: *Dale Gibbons*

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*Name: Dale Gibbons*

*Title: Chief Financial Officer*

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<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
3.1	Amended and Restated By-Laws of Western Alliance Bancorporation, as amended