

WEST BANCORPORATION INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**OLAFSON HARLEE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**WEST BANCORPORATION INC [WTBA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1601 22ND STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/21/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**CHIEF RISK OFFICER**

WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. 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)	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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
COMMON STOCK	03/21/2016		A		15,000 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0
COMMON STOCK					55,366	D	
					13,956 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	I	By 401(k) Plan

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)

Table with 10 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Includes OLAFSON HARLEE, 1601 22ND STREET, WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266, and CHIEF RISK OFFICER.

Signatures

Marie I. Roberts, By Power of Attorney, 03/22/2016

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) Shares were acquired pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units which vest in five equal annual installments beginning March 25, 2017.
(2) 12,614 shares held in 401(k) Plan had previously been reported as direct holdings.
(3) 1,342 shares acquired pursuant to purchases in the employee savings plan (401(k)) during the year 2015.

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