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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): January 28, 2020

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New Jersey
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-11277
(Commission
File Number)

22-2477875
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

One Penn Plaza, New York, New York
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10119
(Zip Code)

(973) 305-8800
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--|-------------------|---|
| Common stock, no par value | VLY | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |
| Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, no par value | VLYPP | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |
| Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B, no par value | VLYPO | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02(d) Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 28, 2020, the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") appointed Peter V. Maio as a director of the Company, effective immediately. The Board did not appoint Mr. Maio to serve on any of the committees of the Board immediately, but may do so in the future. Mr. Maio has over twenty years of experience as an information technology executive. He was most recently at Ally Financial Inc., where he was a Chief Information Officer of the Customer Information & Analytics Division from 2016 to 2018 and the Corporate Technology Division from 2012 to 2016.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: January 29, 2020

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

By: /s/ Ronald H. Janis
Ronald H. Janis
Senior Executive Vice President and General
Counsel

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