

WEST BANCORPORATION INC  
Form 8-K  
March 28, 2006

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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):

March 27, 2006

**West Bancorporation, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Iowa

0-49677

42-1230603

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1601 22nd Street, West Des Moines, Iowa

50266

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

515-222-2300

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

Thomas E. Stanberry, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of West Bancorporation, Inc. (the "Company") announced today that Joyce A. Chapman, Vice President of the Company and Executive Vice President of Administration for the Company's bank subsidiary, West Bank, will retire from those duties effective April 1, 2006. At that time she will no longer have responsibilities as an executive officer of the Company. She began her career with West Bank in August of 1971.

Ms. Chapman will remain with West Bank on a part time basis as Executive Vice President – Community Relations. She will remain a member of the board of directors of West Bank and continue in her capacity as Executive Director and a board member of The West Bancorporation Foundation, Inc.

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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.

*March 27, 2006*

West Bancorporation, Inc.

By: *Douglas R. Gulling*

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*Name: Douglas R. Gulling*

*Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*