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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 Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 17, 2007

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-6253 71-0407808 Arkansas (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification (Commission File Number) incorporation) No.)

501 Main Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas (Address of principal executive offices)

71601

(Zip Code)

(870) 541-1000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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ITEM: DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; 5.02 APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

On May 15, 2007, William E. "Bill" Clark, an independent director of Simmons First National Corporation "the Company" since 2001, died after a brief illness. Mr. Clark was a valued member of the Board and will be greatly missed. Mr. Clark served as a member of the Audit and Nominating Compensation & Corporate Governance Committees of the Board. There are no current plans to replace Mr. Clark on the board, but as provided in the Company's bylaws, the remaining members of the board may appoint a replacement to serve until the company's annual meeting in 2008.

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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.

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION

/s/ Robert A. Fehlman

Date: May 17, 2007

Robert A. Fehlman, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer