SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP Form 8-K October 18, 2007

# 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) October 18, 2007

# SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-6253 (Commission File Number) 71-0407808 (I.R.S. Employer Identification 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: 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

The following is the text of a press release issued by the registrant at 8:15 a.m. Central Time on October 18, 2007.

### SIMMONS FIRST ANNOUNCES RECORD EARNINGS

Pine Bluff, AR – Simmons First National Corporation (NASDAQ-GS: SFNC) today announced record earnings for the three and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2007. Net income for the third quarter was \$7.5 million, or \$0.53 diluted earnings per share, compared to \$0.51 per share for the same period in 2006, an increase of \$0.02, or 3.9%.

For the nine-month period ended September 30, 2007, net income was \$21.2 million. Diluted earnings per share for the nine-month period were \$1.48, an increase of \$0.05, or 3.5% over the same period in 2006.

"Considering the uncertainty relative to the economy, we are very pleased with our third quarter and year-to-date earnings," commented J. Thomas May, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "In particular, a better than expected loan growth and margin, coupled with excellent asset quality and good expense control, produced better than expected results. Bottom line is that our associates continue to do a great job in serving our customers throughout Arkansas, which in turn is rewarding our shareholders."

The Company's net interest income for the third quarter of 2007 increased 5.3% to \$23.6 million compared to \$22.4 million for 2006. Net interest margin increased ten basis points to 4.01% from the third quarter of 2006 and five basis points from the second quarter of 2007.

The Company's loan portfolio totaled \$1.88 billion at September 30, 2007 compared to \$1.79 billion at September 30, 2006, an increase of 4.9%. The growth was primarily attributable to increases in commercial loans, real estate loans and the credit card portfolio. "Credit card growth continued to improve significantly due to the tremendous response we have received regarding Simmons First credit card products," stated Mr. May. "While the national credit card industry continues to be very competitive, several national publications and websites, including CNN Money, MSNBC and Money Magazine, recently recognized Simmons First as having two of the best credit cards in America for customers with excellent credit."

Asset quality remained strong with the allowance for loan losses as a percent of total loans at 1.34% as of September 30, 2007. Non-performing loans equaled 0.53% of total loans, while the allowance for loan losses equaled 251% of non-performing loans. The Company's annualized net charge-offs to total loans for the third quarter of 2007 was 0.20%. Excluding credit cards, the annualized net charge-offs to total loans for the third quarter was 0.13%.

Total assets for the Company were \$2.7 billion and deposits were \$2.2 billion at September 30, 2007. Stockholders' equity increased 5.1% to \$268 million at September 30, 2007 compared to \$255 million at September 30, 2006. Book value per share increased 7.0% to \$19.20 at September 30, 2007 compared to \$17.94 at September 30, 2006.

Simmons First recently opened two financial centers in North Little Rock. "We are excited about our initial entries into the new market of North Little Rock," said May. In addition, new financial centers are under construction in Paragould and Little Rock – Midtown (near War Memorial Stadium and UAMS), along with a new regional headquarters in Rogers for the Northwest Arkansas affiliate.

Simmons First National Corporation is an Arkansas based financial holding company with eight community banks in Pine Bluff, Lake Village, Jonesboro, Rogers, Searcy, Russellville, El Dorado and Hot Springs, Arkansas. The Company's eight banks conduct financial operations from 86 offices, of which 83 are financial centers, in 47 communities.

#### **CONFERENCE CALL**

Management will conduct a conference call to review this information at 3:00 p.m. Central Time on Thursday, October 18, 2007. Interested parties can listen to this call by calling 1-800-854-4175 (United States and Canada only) and asking for the Simmons First National Corporation conference call. A recorded playback of the call will be available the next morning by calling 1-800-642-1687. The passcode for this playback is 18427327 and the recording will be available through the end of business October 31, 2007. In addition, the call will be available live or in recorded version on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.simmonsfirst.com">www.simmonsfirst.com</a> under the "webcast" icon.

#### **GENERAL**

Statements in this press release that are not historical facts should be considered forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements of this type speak only as of the date of this news release. By nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risk and uncertainties. Various factors, including, but not limited to, economic conditions, credit quality, interest rates, loan demand and changes in the assumptions used in making the forward-looking statements, could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. Additional information on factors that might affect Simmons First National Corporation's financial results is included in its Form 10-K filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Simmons First National Corporation Consolidated End of Period Balance Sheets	ora					SFNC
For the Quarters Ended (Unaudited) (in thousands)		Sep 30 2007	Jun 30 2007	Mar 31 2007	Dec 31 2006	Sep 30 2006
ASSETS						
Cash and non-interest bearing balances due from						
banks	\$	85,370	\$ 71,915	\$ 71,513	\$ 83,452	\$ 77,724
Interest bearing balances due from banks		6,557	45,084	43,614	45,829	19,599
Federal funds sold		25,655	2,600	60,270	21,870	49,340
Cash and cash equivalents		117,582	119,599	175,397	151,151	146,663
Investment securities - held-to-maturity		180,206	178,841	181,901	179,944	172,944
Investment securities -						
available-for-sale		349,282	346,740	338,222	347,182	358,561
Mortgage loans held for sale		8,244	9,928	8,718	7,091	6,591
Assets held in trading						
accounts		5,482	4,496	10,464	4,487	4,574
Loans		1,875,235	1,821,430	1,798,234	1,783,495	1,788,517
Allowance for loan losses		(25,107)	(25,197)	(25,151)	(25,385)	(25,879)
Net loans		1,850,128	1,796,233	1,773,083	1,758,110	1,762,638
Premises and equipment		73,088	70,873	69,443	67,926	66,769
Foreclosed assets held for						
sale, net		1,629	1,484	2,321	1,940	1,413
Interest receivable		25,699	21,868	21,312	21,974	21,953
Bank owned life insurance Goodwill		37,632	36,881	36,498	36,133	35,708
Core deposit premiums		60,605 3,583	60,605 3,786	60,605 3,993	60,605 4,199	60,605 4,406
Other assets		8,527	9,084	9,739	10,671	14,117
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,721,687	\$ 2,660,418	\$ 2,691,696	\$ 2,651,413	\$ 2,656,942
LIABILITIES						
Non-interest bearing						
transaction accounts	\$	319,792	\$ 308,047	\$ 316,603	\$ 305,327	\$ 302,700
Interest bearing transaction						
accounts and savings deposits Time deposits less than		730,533	763,017	753,110	738,763	745,649
\$100,000		680,288	686,456	686,650	681,131	664,105
Time deposits greater than		442.706	422.500	450.550	450.210	126,022
\$100,000		442,706	422,580	450,558	450,310	436,022
Total deposits Federal funds purchased and securities		2,173,319	2,180,100	2,206,921	2,175,531	2,148,476

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sold under agreements to					
repurchase	106,984	97,947	108,661	105,036	85,535
Short-term debt	67,595	11,072	5,009	6,114	61,850
Long-term debt - parent					
company	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Long-term FHLB debt -					
affiliate banks	48,725	49,669	50,652	50,381	49,243
Subordinated debt issued to					
capital trusts	30,930	30,930	30,930	30,930	30,930
Accrued interest and other					
liabilities	26,533	25,395	25,353	22,405	24,316
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,454,086	2,397,113	2,429,526	2,392,397	2,402,350
STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY					
Capital stock	139	141	141	142	142
Surplus	41,470	44,773	46,890	48,678	49,068
Undivided profits	225,972	220,981	216,483	212,394	208,200
Accumulated other					
comprehensive income (loss)					
Unrealized appreciation					
(depreciation) on AFS					
securities	20	(2,590)	(1,344)	(2,198)	(2,818)
TOTAL					
STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY	267,601	263,305	262,170	259,016	254,592
TOTAL LIABILITIES					
AND STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY	\$ 2,721,687	\$ 2,660,418	\$ 2,691,696	\$ 2,651,413	\$ 2,656,942
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Simmons First National Corp Consolidated Average Quarter-to-Date Balance Sheets	ora	tion						SFNC
For the Quarters Ended (Unaudited) (in thousands)		Sep 30 2007	Jun 30 2007		Mar 31 2007		Dec 31 2006	Sep 30 2006
ASSETS								
Cash and non-interest								
bearing balances due from								
banks	\$	72,325	\$ 72,066	\$	75,172	\$	80,670	\$ 78,708
Interest bearing balances due								
from banks		9,382	22,636		37,957		24,237	16,851
Federal funds sold		21,083	25,263		51,383		25,554	22,966
Cash and cash equivalents		102,790	119,965		164,512		130,461	118,525
Investment securities -								
held-to-maturity		179,616	180,486		179,479		174,132	167,182
Investment securities -								
available-for-sale		348,085	350,567		349,887		355,196	360,584
Mortgage loans held for sale		8,747	9,241		6,362		7,299	8,368
Assets held in trading								
accounts		4,930	4,567		4,746		4,555	4,598
Loans		1,849,091	1,802,917		1,782,125		1,779,528	1,769,131
Allowance for loan losses		(25,642)	(25,791)		(25,824)		(26,168)	(26,255)
Net loans		1,823,449	1,777,126		1,756,301		1,753,360	1,742,876
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Premises and equipment Foreclosed assets held for		71,943	69,967		68,871		67,438	66,044
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sale, net Interest receivable		24,156	1,934 22,086		2,121 21,464		1,488 22,681	1,525 20,922
Bank owned life insurance		37,315	36,691		36,300		35,916	
Goodwill		60,605	60,605		60,605		60,605	35,226 60,605
Core deposit premiums		3,702	3,907		4,111		4,317	4,527
Other assets		9,374	9,063		9,292		10,995	13,215
Other assets		9,314	9,003		9,292		10,993	13,213
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	2,676,589	\$ 2,646,205	\$	2,664,051	\$	2,628,443	\$ 2,604,197
LIABILITIES								
Non-interest bearing								
transaction accounts	\$	305,453	\$ 309,753	\$	306,020	\$	305,447	\$ 302,490
Interest bearing transaction		,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	'		Ċ		,
accounts and savings deposits		724,782	739,972		731,214		728,085	722,920
Time deposits less than								
\$100,000		686,750	688,493		687,109		678,399	658,182
Time deposits greater than								
\$100,000		437,217	435,405		451,004		441,505	416,693
Total deposits		2,154,202	2,173,623		2,175,347		2,153,436	2,100,285

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Federal funds purchased and					
securities					
sold under agreements to					
repurchase	113,060	99,808	118,011	102,109	93,670
Short-term debt	38,710	3,088	4,031	8,594	54,119
Long-term debt	80,123	82,177	82,185	82,358	80,826
Accrued interest and other					
liabilities	23,943	22,465	22,002	23,157	22,804
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,410,038	2,381,161	2,401,576	2,369,654	2,351,704
TOTAL					
STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY	266,551	265,044	262,475	258,789	252,493
TOTAL LIABILITIES					
AND STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY	\$ 2,676,589	\$ 2,646,205	\$ 2,664,051	\$ 2,628,443	\$ 2,604,197
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Simmons First National Corpor Consolidated Statements of	ration				SFNC
Income - Quarter-to-Date					
For the Quarters Ended	<b>Sep 30</b>	<b>Jun 30</b>	Mar 31	<b>Dec 31</b>	<b>Sep 30</b>
(Unaudited)	2007	2007	2007	2006	2006
(in thousands, except per					
share data)					
INTEREST INCOME					
Loans	\$ 36,604	\$ 35,051	\$ 34,095	\$ 34,543	
Federal funds sold	302	331	670	365	325
Investment securities	6,046	5,889	5,721	5,447	5,183
Mortgage loans held for sale,					
net of unrealized gains (losses)	147	133	104	107	141
Assets held in trading					
accounts	71	35	18	13	14
Interest bearing balances due					
from banks	131	297	510	287	229
TOTAL INTEREST					
INCOME	43,301	41,736	41,118	40,762	39,816
INTEREST EXPENSE					
Time deposits	13,307	13,144	13,015	12,755	11,381
Other deposits	3,328	3,324	3,179	3,182	3,023
Federal funds purchased and					
securities					
sold under agreements to					
repurchase	1,404	1,228	1,425	1,295	1,152
Short-term debt	519	49	70	145	761
Long-term debt	1,173	1,198	1,198	1,102	1,122
TOTAL INTEREST					
EXPENSE	19,731	18,943	18,887	18,479	17,439
NET INTEREST INCOME	23,570	22,793	22,231	22,283	22,377
Provision for loan losses	850	831	751	663	602
NET INTEREST INCOME					
AFTER PROVISION					
FOR LOAN LOSSES	22,720	21,962	21,480	21,620	21,775
NON-INTEREST INCOME					
Trust income	1,528	1,474	1,637	1,517	1,435
Service charges on deposit					
accounts	3,759	3,656	3,497	3,850	3,973
Other service charges and					
fees	698	692	808	715	596
Income on sale of mortgage					
loans, net of commissions	715	727	679	655	763
Income on investment					
banking, net of commissions	90	153	150	89	55
Credit card fees	3,115	3,025	2,649	2,830	2,755
Premiums on sale of student					
loans	419	741	882	263	413
Bank owned life insurance					
income	367	359	364	425	382

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Other income	682	510	788	449	654
TOTAL NON-INTEREST					
INCOME	11,373	11,337	11,454	10,793	11,026
NON-INTEREST					
EXPENSE					
Salaries and employee					
benefits	13,778	13,903	13,725	13,173	13,298
Occupancy expense, net	1,671	1,624	1,650	1,712	1,612
Furniture and equipment					
expense	1,455	1,507	1,466	1,437	1,407
Loss on foreclosed assets	77	36	24	31	32
Deposit insurance	85	68	67	66	64
Other operating expenses	6,157	5,873	6,282	6,088	5,722
TOTAL NON-INTEREST					
EXPENSE	23,223	23,011	23,214	22,507	22,135
NET INCOME BEFORE					
INCOME TAXES	10,870	10,288	9,720	9,906	10,666
Provision for income taxes	3,370	3,257	3,083	3,156	3,219
NET INCOME	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,031	\$ 6,637	\$ 6,750	\$ 7,447
BASIC EARNINGS PER					
SHARE	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.53
DILUTED EARNINGS PER					
SHARE	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.51
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Simmons First National Corpo Consolidated Statements of	ration				SFNC
Income - Year-to-Date	G 20	T 20	N.F. 21	D 21	G 20
For the Quarters Ended	Sep 30	Jun 30	Mar 31	Dec 31	Sep 30
(Unaudited)	2007	2007	2007	2006	2006
(in thousands, except per share data)					
INTEREST INCOME					
Loans	\$ 105,751	\$ 69,147	\$ 34,095	\$ 130,248	\$ 95,705
Federal funds sold	1,303	1,001	670	1,057	692
Investment securities	17,656	11,610	5,721	20,438	14,991
Mortgage loans held for sale,	17,030	11,010	3,721	20,430	17,771
net of unrealized gains (losses)	383	236	104	476	369
Assets held in trading	363	230	104	770	307
accounts	124	53	18	71	58
Interest bearing balances due	121	33	10	, 1	30
from banks	938	807	510	1,072	785
TOTAL INTEREST	750	007	310	1,072	, 65
INCOME	126,155	82,854	41,118	153,362	112,600
INTEREST EXPENSE	120,133	02,031	11,110	133,302	112,000
Time deposits	39,467	26,161	13,015	42,592	29,837
Other deposits	9,832	6,503	3,179	11,658	8,476
Federal funds purchased and	2,00	3,2 32	2,2.7	,	3,173
securities					
sold under agreements to					
repurchase	4,057	2,653	1,425	4,615	3,320
Short-term debt	637	118	70	1,227	1,082
Long-term debt	3,568	2,395	1,198	4,466	3,364
TOTAL INTEREST	,	,	,	,	,
EXPENSE	57,561	37,830	18,887	64,558	46,079
NET INTEREST INCOME	68,594	45,024	22,231	88,804	66,521
Provision for loan losses	2,432	1,582	751	3,762	3,099
NET INTEREST INCOME					
AFTER PROVISION					
FOR LOAN LOSSES	66,162	43,442	21,480	85,042	63,422
NON-INTEREST INCOME					
Trust income	4,639	3,111	1,637	5,612	4,095
Service charges on deposit					
accounts	10,912	7,153	3,497	15,795	11,945
Other service charges and					
fees	2,198	1,500	808	2,561	1,846
Income on sale of mortgage					
loans, net of commissions	2,121	1,407	679	2,849	2,194
Income on investment					
banking, net of commissions	393	303	150	341	252
Credit card fees	8,789	5,674	2,649	10,742	7,912
Premiums on sale of student					
loans	2,042	1,623	882	2,071	1,808
Bank owned life insurance					
income	1,090	723	364	1,523	1,098

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Other income	1,980	1,298	788	2,453	2,004
TOTAL NON-INTEREST					
INCOME	34,164	22,792	11,454	43,947	33,154
NON-INTEREST					
EXPENSE					
Salaries and employee					
benefits	41,406	27,628	13,725	53,442	40,269
Occupancy expense, net	4,945	3,273	1,650	6,385	4,673
Furniture and equipment					
expense	4,428	2,973	1,466	5,718	4,281
Loss on foreclosed assets	137	59	24	136	105
Deposit insurance	220	135	67	270	204
Other operating expenses	18,312	12,158	6,282	23,117	17,029
TOTAL NON-INTEREST					
EXPENSE	69,448	46,226	23,214	89,068	66,561
NET INCOME BEFORE					
INCOME TAXES	30,878	20,008	9,720	39,921	30,015
Provision for income taxes	9,710	6,340	3,083	12,440	9,284
NET INCOME	\$ 21,168	\$ 13,668	\$ 6,637	\$ 27,481	\$ 20,731
BASIC EARNINGS PER					
SHARE	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.97	\$ 0.47	\$ 1.93	\$ 1.46
DILUTED EARNINGS					
PER SHARE	\$ 1.48	\$ 0.95	\$ 0.46	\$ 1.90	\$ 1.43
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Simmons First National Consolidated Risk-Based Capital For the Quarters	Coi	poration								SFNC
Ended (Unaudited) (in thousands)		Sep 30 2007	Jun 30 2007			Mar 31 2007		Dec 31 2006		Sep 30 2006
<u>Tier 1 capital</u>										
Stockholders' equity	\$	267,601	\$	263,305	\$	262,170	\$	259,016	\$	254,592
Trust preferred		20.000		20.000		20.000		20.000		20.000
securities, net allowable		30,000		30,000		30,000		30,000		30,000
Disallowed intangible		(62.004)		(64.144)		(64.267)		(64.224)		(64.557)
assets, net of def. tax		(63,924)		(64,144)		(64,367)		(64,334)		(64,557)
Unrealized loss (gain) on AFS securities		(20)		2,590		1,344		2,198		2,818
on Ars securities		(20)		2,390		1,344		2,190		2,616
Total Tier 1 capital		233,657		231,751		229,147		226,880		222,853
Total Tiel Teapital		233,037		231,731		22),117		220,000		222,033
Tier 2 capital										
Qualifying unrealized										
gain on AFS securities		158		187		129		167		177
Qualifying allowance										
for loan losses		24,188		23,565		23,237		22,953		23,103
Total Tier 2 capital		24,346		23,752		23,366		23,120		23,280
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Total risk-based capital	\$	258,003	\$	255,503	\$	252,513	\$	250,000	\$	246,133
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Risk weighted assets	\$	1,932,608	\$	1,882,040	\$	1,855,511	\$	1,831,063	\$	1,843,960
Adjusted average										
assets for leverage ratio	\$	2,615,527	\$	2,584,670	\$	2,603,178	\$	2,568,407	\$	2,547,237
assets for leverage ratio	Ψ	2,013,327	Ψ	2,304,070	Ψ	2,003,170	Ψ	2,300,407	Ψ	2,541,251
Ratios at end of quarter										
Equity to assets		9.83%		9.90%		9.74%		9.77%		9.58%
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tangible assets		7.66%		7.56%		7.47%		7.42%		7.21%
Leverage ratio		8.93%		8.97%		8.80%		8.83%		8.75%
Tier 1 capital		12.09%		12.31%		12.35%		12.39%		12.09%
Total risk-based capital		13.35%		13.58%		13.61%		13.65%		13.35%
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Simmons First National Cor Consolidated Loans and	por	ation								SFNC
Investments										
For the Quarters Ended		Sep 30		<b>Jun 30</b>		Mar 31		Dec 31		Sep 30
(Unaudited)		2007		2007		2007		2006		2006
(in thousands)										
Loan Portfolio - End of										
<b>Period</b>										
Consumer										
Credit cards	\$	149,185	\$	140,327	\$	133,511	\$	143,359	\$	133,607
Student loans		78,377		68,477		84,358		84,831		86,875
Other consumer		140,771		139,908		141,212		142,596		146,039
Real Estate										
Construction		259,705		265,705		276,582		277,411		267,604
Single-family residential		377,155		372,029		366,222		364,453		364,657
Other commercial		538,924		540,042		536,421		512,404		494,512
Unearned income		(2)		(3)		(3)		(3)		(4)
Commercial										
Commercial		201,903		183,349		182,548		178,028		175,576
Agricultural		111,984		96,213		61,617		62,293		103,301
Financial institutions		5,905		5,351		5,080		4,766		576
Other		11,328		10,032		10,686		13,357		15,774
Total Loans	\$	1,875,235	\$	1,821,430	\$	1,798,234	\$	1,783,495	\$	1,788,517
Investment Securities -										
End of Period										
Held-to-Maturity	ф	1.500	ф	1.500	ф		ф		ф	1 001
U.S. Treasury	\$	1,500	\$	1,500	\$	-	\$		\$	1,001
U.S. Government agencies		43,000		44,000		54,998		54,998		53,000
Mortgage-backed		106		1.10		151		1.5.5		1.61
securities		136		140		151		155		161
State and political		122 106		120.046		104.415		100 150		116 101
subdivisions		133,196		130,846		124,415		122,472		116,481
Other securities		2,374		2,355		2,337		2,319		2,301
Total held-to-maturity		180,206		178,841		181,901		179,944		172,944
Available-for-Sale				0.077		44.404		6.0.40		6 7 40
U.S. Treasury		7,517		8,975		11,434		6,940		6,749
U.S. Government agencies		325,414		322,687		310,611		322,411		331,709
Mortgage-backed										
securities		2,769		2,793		2,948		2,956		3,095
State and political										
subdivisions		985		984		1,132		1,370		1,373
FHLB stock		7,554		5,206		5,090		5,504		7,674
Other securities		5,043		6,095		7,007		8,001		7,961
Total available-for-sale		349,282		346,740		338,222		347,182		358,561
Total investment securities	\$	529,488	\$	525,581	\$	520,123	\$	527,126	\$	531,505
_ star m. startent securities										
	\$	179,685	\$	175,870	\$	181,792	\$	179,816	\$	172,951

Fair Value - HTM investment securities

<b>Investment Securities -</b>					
<b>QTD</b> Average					
Taxable securities	\$ 394,878	\$ 401,723	\$ 406,342	\$ 410,153 \$	410,382
Tax exempt securities	132,823	129,330	123,024	119,175	117,384
Total investment securities -					
QTD average	\$ 527,701	\$ 531,053	\$ 529,366	\$ 529,328 \$	527,766
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Simmons First National Co Consolidated Allowance and Asset Quality	rpor	ation					SFNC
For the Quarters Ended	\$	Sep 30	Jun 30	N	Mar 31	Dec 31	Sep 30
(Unaudited)		2007	2007		2007	2006	2006
(in thousands) Allowance for Loan Losses							
Balance, beginning of							
quarter	\$	25,197	\$ 25,151	\$	25,385	\$ 25,879	\$ 26,174
Loans charged off							
Credit cards		633	625		735	600	661
Other consumer		397	304		425	395	352
Real estate		499	453		295	793	74
Commercial		174	111		219	209	717
Total loans charged off		1,703	1,493		1,674	1,997	1,804
Recoveries of loans							
previously charged off							
Credit cards		260	272		261	242	291
Other consumer		122	152		105	173	147
Real estate		207	241		162	403	87
Commercial		174	43		161	22	382
Total recoveries		763	708		689	840	907
Net loans charged off		940	785		985	1,157	897
Provision for loan losses		850	831		751	663	602
Balance, end of quarter	\$	25,107	\$ 25,197	\$	25,151	\$ 25,385	\$ 25,879
Non-performing assets							
Non-performing loans							
Nonaccrual loans							
Real estate	\$	6,949	\$ 7,237	\$	5,561	\$ 6,916	\$ 7,674
Commercial		576	632		685	720	1,054
Consumer		1,540	1,652		1,492	1,322	1,089
Total nonaccrual loans		9,065	9,521		7,738	8,958	9,817
Loans past due 90 days or							
more		946	1,133		879	1,097	1,029
Total non-performing loans		10,011	10,654		8,617	10,055	10,846
Other non-performing assets							
Foreclosed assets held for							
sale		1,629	1,484		2,321	1,940	1,413
Other non-performing							
assets							
Total other non-performing		38	30		40	52	16
Total other non-performing		38	30		40	52	16
assets		38 1,667	30 1,514		40 2,361	52 1,992	16 1,429

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Total non-performing assets

<u>Ratios</u>					
Allowance for loan losses					
to total loans	1.34%	1.38%	1.40%	1.42%	1.45%
Allowance for loan losses					
to					
non-performing loans	250.79%	236.50%	291.88%	252.46%	238.60%
Allowance for loan losses					
to					
non-performing assets	214.99%	207.08%	229.10%	210.72%	210.83%
Non-performing assets					
ratio *	0.62%	0.67%	0.61%	0.67%	0.69%
Non-performing loans to					
total loans	0.53%	0.58%	0.48%	0.56%	0.61%
Non-performing assets to					
total assets	0.43%	0.46%	0.41%	0.45%	0.46%
Annualized net charge offs					
to total loans	0.20%	0.17%	0.22%	0.26%	0.20%
Annualized net charge offs					
to total loans					
(excluding credit cards)	0.13%	0.10%	0.13%	0.19%	0.13%

<sup>\*</sup> Non-performing assets ratio = ( non-performing loans + foreclosed assets) / ( total loans + foreclosed assets)

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Income Analysis	
For the Quarters Ended         Sep 30         Jun 30         Mar 31         Dec 31         Sep 30           (Unaudited)         2007         2007         2007         2006         2006	
ASSETS	
Earning Assets	
Interest bearing balances due	
from banks 5.54% 5.26% 5.45% 4.70% 5.39	9%
Federal funds sold 5.68% 5.26% 5.29% 5.67% 5.61	1%
Investment securities 5.15% 5.04% 4.95% 4.62% 4.43	3%
Mortgage loans held for sale 6.67% 5.77% 6.63% 5.82% 6.69	9%
Assets held in trading accounts 5.71% 3.07% 1.54% 1.13% 1.21	1%
Loans 7.87% 7.80% 7.76% 7.70% 7.61	
Total interest earning assets 7.24% 7.13% 7.05% 6.96% 6.86	6%
LIABILITIES	
Interest bearing liabilities	
Interest bearing transaction and	604
savings accounts 1.82% 1.80% 1.76% 1.73% 1.66	
Time deposits 4.70% 4.69% 4.64% 4.52% 4.20	
Total interest bearing deposits 3.57% 3.54% 3.51% 3.42% 3.18	8%
Federal funds purchased and	
securities	
sold under agreement to	001
repurchase 4.93% 4.90% 5.03% 4.88	
Short-term debt       5.32%       6.36%       7.04%       6.69%       5.58         Long-term debt       5.81%       5.85%       5.91%       5.31%       5.51	
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Total interest bearing liabilities 3.76% 3.71% 3.69% 3.59% 3.41	1%
NET INTEREST	
MARGIN/SPREAD	
Net interest spread 3.48% 3.42% 3.36% 3.37% 3.45	5%
Net interest margin -	0 70
quarter-to-date 4.01% 3.96% 3.88% 3.86% 3.91	1%
Net interest margin -	
year-to-date 3.95% 3.92% 3.88% 3.96% 3.99	9%
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Simmons First National Co Consolidated - Selected Financial Data	rporation								SFNC
Financial Data For the Quarters Ended (Unaudited) (in thousands, except per share data)	Sep 30 2007		Jun 30 2007		Mar 31 2007		Dec 31 2006		Sep 30 2006
OUARTER-TO-DATE									
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.53	\$	0.49	\$	0.46	\$	0.47	\$	0.51
Operating earnings									
(excludes nonrecurring									
items)	7,500		7,031		6,637		6,750		7,447
Cash dividends declared									
per common share	0.18		0.18		0.18		0.18		0.17
Cash dividends declared -									
amount	2,509		2,533		2,548		2,555		2,413
Return on average									
stockholders' equity	11.16%		10.64%		10.25%		10.35%		11.70%
Return on tangible equity	14.96%		14.32%		13.88%		14.08%		16.04%
Return on average assets	1.11%		1.07%		1.01%		1.02%		1.13%
Net interest margin (FTE)	4.01%		3.96%		3.88%		3.86%		3.91%
FTE Adjustment -									
investments	802		785		741		720		707
FTE Adjustment - loans	69		72		85		85		89
Amortization of intangibles	203		207		207		207		207
Amortization of	120		120		120		120		120
intangibles, net of taxes	128		130		130		130		130
Average shares outstanding	13,976,706		14,099,105		14,177,615		14,198,399		14,195,844
Average diluted shares	14 176 641		14 212 402		14 205 152		14 446 720		14 451 027
outstanding	14,176,641		14,313,493		14,395,153		14,446,730		14,451,237
Shares repurchased	134,253		90,900		69,678		14,200		24,000
Average price of	25.42		27.20		29.62		21 15		27.02
repurchased shares	25.43		27.38		28.62		31.15		27.93
Average earning assets	2,420,934		2,395,677		2,411,939		2,370,501		2,349,680
Average interest bearing liabilities	2,080,642		2,048,943		2,073,554		2,041,050		2,026,410
naomties	2,000,042		2,040,943		2,073,334		2,041,030		2,020,410
YEAR-TO-DATE									
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 1.48	\$	0.95	\$	0.46	\$	1.90	\$	1.43
Operating earnings	ψ 1.40	Ψ	0.75	Ψ	0.10	Ψ	1.50	Ψ	1.43
(excludes nonrecurring									
items)	21,168		13,668		6,637		27,481		20,731
Cash dividends declared	21,100		10,000		0,007		27,101		20,701
per common share	0.54		0.36		0.18		0.68		0.50
Return on average									
stockholders' equity	10.69%		10.45%		10.25%		10.93%		11.13%
Return on tangible equity	14.40%		14.10%		13.88%		15.03%		15.37%
Return on average assets	1.06%		1.04%		1.01%		1.07%		1.08%
Net interest margin (FTE)	3.95%		3.92%		3.88%		3.96%		3.99%
	2,328		1,526		741		2,840		2,120

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FTE Adjustment -					
investments					
FTE Adjustment - loans	226	157	85	345	260
Amortization of intangibles	617	414	207	830	623
Amortization of					
intangibles, net of taxes	388	260	130	522	392
Average shares outstanding	14,083,739	14,138,143	14,177,615	14,226,481	14,236,047
Average diluted shares					
outstanding	14,283,674	14,352,531	14,395,153	14,474,812	14,491,440
Average earning assets	2,409,516	2,403,809	2,411,939	2,324,078	2,308,604
Average interest bearing					
liabilities	2,067,711	2,061,248	2,073,554	1,993,903	1,978,189
END OF PERIOD					
Book value per share	\$ 19.20	\$ 18.73	\$ 18.54	\$ 18.24	\$ 17.94
Tangible book value per					
share	14.60	14.15	13.97	13.68	13.36
Shares outstanding	13,934,509	14,059,631	14,139,631	14,196,855	14,188,008
Full-time equivalent					
employees	1,131	1,112	1,110	1,134	1,121
Total number of ATMs	89	87	88	88	88
Total number of financial					
centers	83	82	82	81	81
Parent company only -					
investment in subsidiaries	285,340	280,455	279,370	275,872	272,909
Parent company only -					
intangible assets	133	133	133	133	133

# **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: October 18, 2007

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