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1(b). Form 3 Reporte Form 4 Transac Reporte	Holdings Section 17	rsuant to Section (a) of the Public 30(h) of the	Utility Hold	ing Com	pany	Act of	f 1935 or Secti	on	
1. Name and Bartlett Da	Symbo SIMN	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP [SFNC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's F (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008			r's Fiscal Y	ear Er	nded	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
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(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally 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. Securi Acquirec Disposec (Instr. 3, Amount	d (A) of d of (D 4 and (A) or	))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu (A) o	vative urities uired or oosed O) r. 3,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numł of Share
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.2	03/22/2004	Â	Х	0	Â	12/31/2005	03/22/2014	Common	2,00
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	Х	0	Â	07/26/2008	07/26/2014	Common	60
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	Х	0	Â	12/31/2005	07/26/2014	Common	2,40
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	Х	0	Â	05/23/2007	05/24/2015	Common	22
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	Х	0	Â	05/23/2008	05/24/2015	Common	22
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	Х	0	Â	05/23/2009	05/24/2015	Common	22
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	Х	0	Â	12/31/2005	05/24/2015	Common	44
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2007	05/20/2016	Common	36
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2008	05/20/2016	Common	36
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2009	05/20/2016	Common	36
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2010	05/20/2016	Common	36
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2011	05/20/2016	Common	36
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2007	05/20/2016	Common	50
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2008	05/20/2016	Common	50

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Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2009	05/20/2016	Common	50
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2010	05/20/2016	Common	50
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	Х	0	Â	05/22/2011	05/20/2016	Common	3,00
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	Х	0	Â	05/31/2008	05/31/2017	Common	48
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	Х	0	Â	05/31/2009	05/31/2017	Common	48
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	Х	0	Â	05/31/2010	05/31/2017	Common	48
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	Х	0	Â	05/31/2011	05/31/2017	Common	48
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	Х	0	Â	05/31/2012	05/31/2017	Common	48
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2009	05/28/2018	Common	1,28
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2010	05/28/2018	Common	1,28
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2011	05/28/2018	Common	1,28
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2012	05/28/2018	Common	1,28
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2013	05/28/2018	Common	1,28

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Bartlett David L SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP 501 MAIN STREET PINE BLUFF, AR 71603	Â	Â	President and COO	Â			
Signatures							
/s/ David L. Bartlett by Piper P. Erwin	02/10/2	2009					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Dat	e					

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