#### FEHLMAN ROBERT A

Form 5

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Form 4

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** FEHLMAN ROBERT A	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)  SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL  CORP, 501 MAIN STREET	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) EVP & CFO			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  (check applicable line)			
PINE BLUFF, AR 71611		_X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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)	
SFNC	12/31/2008	Â	J	79	A	\$ 24.24	147	D (1)	Â	
SFNC	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	6,567	D	Â	
SFNC	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	4,486	D	Â	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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# $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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 Acq (A) Disp of (I (Inst	vative urities uired or oosed		te	7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 12.13	05/07/2001	Â	X	0	Â	05/07/2002	05/06/2011	Common	2,52
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 12.13	05/07/2001	Â	X	0	Â	05/07/2003	05/06/2011	Common	2,52
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 12.13	05/07/2001	Â	X	0	Â	05/07/2004	05/06/2011	Common	2,52
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 12.13	05/07/2001	Â	X	0	Â	05/07/2005	05/06/2011	Common	2,52
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	X	0	Â	07/26/2004	07/25/2014	Common	60
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	X	0	Â	07/26/2005	07/25/2014	Common	60
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	X	0	Â	07/26/2006	07/25/2014	Common	60
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	X	0	Â	07/26/2007	07/25/2014	Common	60
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004	Â	X	0	Â	07/26/2008	07/25/2014	Common	60
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	X	0	Â	05/23/2005	05/23/2015	Common	37
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	X	0	Â	05/23/2007	05/23/2015	Common	18
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	X	0	Â	05/23/2008	05/23/2015	Common	18
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	X	0	Â	05/23/2009	05/23/2015	Common	18
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	X	0	Â	05/22/2007	05/20/2016	Common	20

Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	X	0	Â	05/22/2008	05/20/2016	Common	20
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	X	0	Â	05/22/2009	05/20/2016	Common	20
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	X	0	Â	05/22/2010	05/20/2016	Common	20
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006	Â	X	0	Â	05/22/2011	05/20/2016	Common	20
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2008	05/31/2017	Common	24
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2009	05/31/2017	Common	24
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2010	05/31/2017	Common	24
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2011	05/31/2017	Common	24
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2012	05/31/2017	Common	24
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2009	05/28/2018	Common	87
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2010	05/28/2018	Common	87
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2011	05/28/2018	Common	87
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2012	05/28/2018	Common	87
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2013	05/28/2018	Common	87

# **Reporting Owners**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
FEHLMAN ROBERT A SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP 501 MAIN STREET PINE BLUFF, AR 71611	Â	Â	EVP & CFO	Â				
Signatures								
/s/ Robert A. Fehlman by Piper P. Erwin	02/1							

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Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares acquired through the Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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