

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 20, 2012

**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) **April 20, 2012**

**Simmons First National Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Arkansas**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-06253**  
(Commission File Number)

**71-0407808**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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

**71601**  
(Zip Code)

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

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(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 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

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On April 20, 2012 the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated April 20, 2012

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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**

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(Registrant)

**April 20, 2012**

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**/s/ ROBERT A. FEHLMAN**

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(Date)

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

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**Exhibit Index**

99.1 Press release dated April 20, 2012