Casteel Marty Form 4 January 27, 2010

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Casteel Marty Issuer Symbol SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL (Check all applicable) CORP [SFNC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL 01/25/2010 **EVP** CORP., 501 MAIN STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

#### PINE BLUFF, AR 71603

**SFNC** 

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-	-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
SFNC	01/25/2010		Code V A	Amount 790 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 26.88	5,444	D	
SFNC	01/25/2010		A	4,655 (2)	A	\$ 26.88	10,099	D	
SFNC							3,514	D	
SFNC							443	D	

Person

7,402

D

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

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

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 12.13	05/07/2001		X	0	05/07/2005	05/07/2011	Common	6,000	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 23.78	07/26/2004		X	0	12/31/2005	07/26/2014	Common	2,000	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005		X	0	12/31/2005	05/24/2015	Common	920	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006		X	0	05/22/2007	05/20/2016	Common	200	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006		X	0	05/22/2008	05/20/2016	Common	200	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006		X	0	05/22/2009	05/20/2016	Common	200	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006		X	0	05/22/2010	05/20/2016	Common	200	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 26.19	05/22/2006		X	0	05/22/2011	05/20/2016	Common	200	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007		X	0	05/31/2008	05/31/2017	Common	240	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007		X	0	05/31/2009	05/31/2017	Common	240	
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007		X	0	05/31/2010	05/31/2017	Common	240	
	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007		X	0	05/31/2011	05/31/2017	Common	240	

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Incentive Stock Option								
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	X	0	05/31/2012	05/31/2017	Common	240
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	X	0	05/29/2009	05/28/2018	Common	842
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	X	0	05/29/2010	05/28/2018	Common	842
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	X	0	05/29/2011	05/28/2018	Common	842
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	X	0	05/29/2012	05/28/2018	Common	842
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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
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Casteel Marty							
SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP.			EVP				
501 MAIN STREET			EVF				
PINE BLUFF, AR 71603							

## **Signatures**

/s/ Marty Casteel by Piper P.
Erwin 01/27/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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 will vest effective immediately.
- (2) Shares will cliff vest on December 31, 2015.

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