Garner David W Form 5 February 10, 2012

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1. Name and Garner Da	Address of Reporting vid W	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)		(Month 12/31	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011				Director 10% Owner Self-controller Other (specify below) below)			
	S FIRST NATIO ATION, 501 M.						5 •	e Controller		
	(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	able I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)			
SFNC	12/31/2011	Â	J	178	A	\$ 25.83	784	D (1)	Â	
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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)	5. 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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	X	0	Â	05/23/2005	05/23/2015	Common	38
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 24.5	05/23/2005	Â	X	0	Â	12/31/2005	05/23/2015	Common	57
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	22
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2009	05/31/2017	Common	22
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Incentive Stock Option	\$ 28.42	05/31/2007	Â	X	0	Â	05/31/2012	05/31/2017	Common	22
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2009	05/28/2018	Common	21
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2010	05/28/2018	Common	21

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Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2011	05/28/2018	Common	21
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2012	05/28/2018	Common	21
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.31	05/29/2008	Â	X	0	Â	05/29/2013	05/28/2018	Common	21

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Garner David W SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORPORATION 501 MAIN STREET PINE BLUEF Â AR Â 71603	Â	Â	SVP & Controller	Â		

Signatures

/s/ David W. Garner by Piper P.
Erwin 02/10/2012

**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 acquired through the Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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