CLARK WILLIAM E II

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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 R-CLARK WILLIAM E | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|-------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| | | SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP [SFNC] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) 5000 S KATILLUS | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/29/2012 | _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | |
| (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| LITTLE ROCK, AR | 72223 (Zip) | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Ta | ble I - Non | -Derivative | e Secu | 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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) | spose | 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 | 05/29/2012 | | A | 600 | A | \$ 24.03 | 1,975 | D | |
| SFNC | | | | | | | 1,500 | D | |

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, | | ate | Secur | ınt of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| r g | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| CLARK WILLIAM E II | | | | | | | |
| 5000 S KATILLUS | X | | | | | | |
| LITTLE ROCK, AR 72223 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ William E. Clark, II by Piper P.
Erwin 05/31/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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