

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP
Form 8-K
November 03, 2009

**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) **November 3, 2009**

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**

(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))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 3, 2009, Simmons First National Corporation issued a press release announcing that it has commenced an underwritten public offering of approximately \$65 million of its common stock. The underwriters for the offering will have a 30-day option to purchase up to an

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additional 15 percent of the offered amount of common stock from the Company, to cover over-allotments, if any. The offering will be made pursuant to a prospectus supplement filed as part of an effective shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form S-3.

A copy of the press release 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 November 3, 2009

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Simmons First National Corporation

(Registrant)

/s/ ROBERT A. FEHLMAN

November 3, 2009

(Date)

Robert A. Fehlman

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

99.1 Press release dated November 3, 2009