

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 RUSH JOHN L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL
 CORP., 501 MAIN STREET
 (Street)

PINE BLUFF, AR 71611

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL
 CORP [SFNC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/14/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Secretary to the Board

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price (A) or (D) | | |
| SFNC | 07/14/2005 | | S | | 100 D \$ 28.04 | I | IRA - SFTC |
| SFNC | | | | | 5,500 | D | |
| SFNC | | | | | 11,648 | I | Joint Revocable Trust |

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)

| 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Pr | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Incentive Stock Option | \$ 12.83 | 11/26/1996 | | X | 0 | 11/26/2000 11/25/2005 | | Common | 1,200 \$ 1 |
| Incentive Stock Option | \$ 22.63 | 03/06/1998 | | X | 0 | 03/06/2001 03/05/2006 | | Common | 400 \$ 2 |
| Incentive Stock Option | \$ 22.63 | 03/06/1998 | | X | 0 | 03/06/2002 03/05/2007 | | Common | 400 \$ 2 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RUSH JOHN L SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP. 501 MAIN STREET PINE BLUFF, AR 71611 | | | | Secretary to the Board |

Signatures

/s/ John L. Rush by Piper P. Erwin
07/15/2005
**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).
- Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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