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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ledbetter Barry K

(First)

(Street)

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP [SFNC]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

EVP & CBO, Simmons Bank

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

C/O SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL 01/18/2018

CORP., 501 MAIN STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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below)

PINE BLUFF, AR 71601

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Ac	equired, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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	01/18/2018		A	1,478	A	\$ 58.25	16,202	D	
SFNC	01/18/2018		F	541	D	\$ 58.25	15,661	D	
SFNC							5,106	D	
SFNC							9,209	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2018		A	1,379	(2)	(2)	Common	1,379
Performance Stock Unit	<u>(3)</u>	01/18/2018		A	2,758	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common	2,758

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner

Ledbetter Barry K C/O SIMMONS FIRST NATIONAL CORP. 501 MAIN STREET PINE BLUFF, AR 71601

EVP & CBO, Simmons Bank

Other

Officer

Signatures

/s/ Barry K. Ledbetter by Danielle
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01/22/2018

**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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Simmons First National Corporation common stock.
- 455 Restricted Stock Units vest on January 18, 2019; 455 Restricted Stock Units vest on January 18, 2020 and 469 Restricted Stock Units vest on January 18, 2021. SFNC shares will be delivered within 30 days of vesting. Events such as retirement, death, disability and other specified events in the agreement may result in earlier vesting.
- (3) Each Performance Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Simmons First National Corporation common stock.
- (4) The shares listed are the maximum number of shares which may vest under this grant. Vesting will occur subsequent to the attainment of performance goals set and verified by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors for the performance period

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ending December 31, 2020, contingent upon the reporting person's continued employment with the registrant.

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