



**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated October 16, 2008

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**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**

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(Registrant)

**October 16, 2008**

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**/s/ ROBERT A. FEHLMAN**

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(Date)

Robert A. Fehlman

*Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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