Simmons Named To Board of St. Louis Fed's Little Rock Branch

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ST. LOUIS-- Mark Simmons, chairman of the board of Simmons Foods, Inc., in Siloam Springs, Ark., has been appointed to the board of directors of the Little Rock Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, to fill the unexpired portion of a three-year term ending Dec. 31, 1999.

Simmons, the second generation to lead the family owned poultry business, is the immediate past chairman of the National Broiler Council board of directors. He is also a member of the board of directors of both John Brown University and Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital. A leader in the Arkansas Poultry Federation (APF), he received the APF's Man of the Year award in 1990. Simmons' father received the same award in 1961, the only father-son duo who have achieved the honor. Simmons is a graduate of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has branches in Little Rock, Louisville and Memphis. It serves the Eighth Federal Reserve District, which includes all of Arkansas, eastern Missouri, southern Indiana, southern Illinois, western Kentucky, western Tennessee and northern Mississippi. In addition to serving as a bank for depository institutions and the U.S. government, each Reserve Bank supervises state-chartered member banks and bank holding companies, monitors economic conditions in the District and participates in formulating monetary policy.

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