PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP INC Form 8-K September 20, 2011

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): September 16, 2011

PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **000-29599** (Commission File Number)

06-1559137 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

900 Bedford Street, Stamford, Connecticut06901(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 324-7500

Not Applicable

(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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Item 5.02(b) Resignation of Executive Officer

On September 16, 2011, Martin G. Noble resigned from his position as Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer of Patriot National Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Patriot National Bancorp, Inc.

SIGNATURES

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

PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP, INC.

Date: September 20, 2011

By: /s/ Robert F. O Connell Robert F. O Connell Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer