

CITY NATIONAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 13, 2003

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**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): **February 13, 2003**

**CITY NATIONAL CORPORATION**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-10521**  
(Commission file number)

**95-2568550**  
(IRS employer identification no.)

**City National Center**  
**400 North Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**90210**  
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

**(310) 888-6000**

**Not applicable**  
(former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**Item 5. OTHER EVENTS.**

On February 13, 2003, City National Corporation announced the sale of \$225 million of 10-year senior notes in a private placement offering to qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933.

**Item 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(c) Exhibits.

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Press release dated February 13, 2003 announcing the sale of \$225 million of 10-year senior notes in a private placement offering to qualified institutional buyers under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933.

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**SIGNATURES**

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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.

CITY NATIONAL CORPORATION

February 13, 2003

/s/ FRANK P. PEKNY

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Frank P. Pekny  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer  
(Authorized Officer and  
Principal Financial Officer)

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