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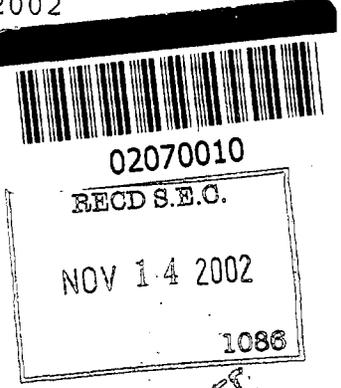
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Report for the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: September 30, 2002

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[] adds new holdings entries.



Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

Name: Relational Investors LLC
Address: 11975 El Camino Real Suite 300
San Diego, CA 92130

Form 13F File Number: 28-06854

The institutional investment manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists, and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: Jay N. Sitlani
Title: Director of Operations
Phone: (858) 704-3336

CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT EXPIRES
and
CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT DENIED

Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

J. Sitlani San Diego, CA 11/13/2002
[Signature] [City, State] [Date]

Report Type (Check only one.):

- 13F HOLDINGS REPORT. (Check here if all holdings of this reporting manager are reported in this report.)
- 13F NOTICE. (Check here if no holdings reported are in this report, and all holdings are reported by other reporting manager(s).)
- 13F COMBINATION REPORT. (Check here if a portion of the holdings for this reporting manager are reported in this report and a portion are reported by other reporting manager(s).)

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List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:
[If there are no entries in this list, omit this section.]

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Form 13F INFORMATION TABLE

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5			COLUMN 6	COLUMN 7	COLUMN 8		
NAME OF ISSUER	TITLE OF CLASS	CUSIP	VALUE (X\$1000)	SHRS OR PRN AMT	SH/ PRN	PUT/ CALL	INVESTMENT DISCRETION	OTHER MANAGERS	VOTING AUTHORITY		
									SOLE	SHARED	NONE
National Semiconductor Corp.	COM	637640103	\$105,776	8,859,000	SH			SOLE			8,859,000
Prudential Financial, Inc.	COM	744320102	\$174,079	6,095,200	SH			SOLE			6,095,200
Sovereign Bancorp, Inc.	COM	845905108	\$ 48,414	3,753,000	SH			SOLE			3,753,000
Cigna Corporation	COM	125509109	\$ 40,724	575,600	SH			SOLE			575,600