Vranos Michael W Form 4 May 15, 2018

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Vranos Michael W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
53 FOREST A	VENUE		(Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2018	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Co-Chief Investment Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-L	Derivative :	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dia (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares	05/11/2018		Code V P	Amount 63,960	(D)	Price \$ 15.8 (1)	378,486	D	
Common Shares	05/14/2018		P	15,835	A	\$ 15.96 (2)	394,321	D	
Common Shares							1,264,011	I	See footnote (3)
Common Shares							1,024,079	I	See Footnote

(4)

Common 177,474 I In Trust (5) Shares

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	.	ate	7. Title Amoun Underly Securit (Instr. 3	nt of ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Vranos Michael W			Co-Chief					
53 FOREST AVENUE	X	X	Investment					
OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870			Officer					

Signatures

/s/ Jason S. Frank, attorney-in-fact for Michael W. Vranos

05/15/2018

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.74 to \$15.83. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.95 to \$15.99. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of

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the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

- (3) Mr. Vranos is the managing member of an entity that holds these shares for estate planning purposes.
 - These common shares are owned directly by EMGH. VC Investments LLC ("VC") is the general partner of EMGH. Michael W. Vranos is the managing member of, and holds a controlling interest in, VC. Michael W. Vranos and VC together share the power to direct the
- (4) voting and disposition of common shares held by EMGH, and may be regarded as the beneficial owners of the common shares. Each of Michael W. Vranos and VC disclaims beneficial ownership of any common shares owned beneficially or of record by each other except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interest therein.
- (5) Common Shares are held in family trusts for the benefit of certain EMGH partners (other than Mr. Vranos) for which Mr. Vranos acts as trustee.

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