Vranos Michael W Form 4 October 24, 2011

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

limited

liability

company interests

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

Vranos Michael W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10/20/2011

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

53 FOREST AVENUE

_X__ 10% Owner _X_ Director _X__ Officer (give title . __Other (specify below)

Co-Chief Investment Officer

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

2,499,381

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OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A) or	d of (D) 5)	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 rep. limited liability company interests	10/20/2011		Code V	Amount 330	(D)	Price \$ 17.68 <u>(1)</u>	3,150	D	
Common Shares rep.									See

footnotes.

(2)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	8. Price o
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Underlying S	Securities	Derivativ
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e				(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities					
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
LTIP Units	(3)					(3)	(3)	Common Shares	375,000 (3)	

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/ Sara Walden Brown, as attorney-in-fact for Michael Vranos

10/24/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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 \$17.67 to \$17.70. 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 the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected. All purchases pursuant to this transaction were made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) Three affiliated hedge funds ("Hedge Funds") own 1,250,000 common shares. EMG Holdings, L.P ("EMGH") owns 1,228,920 common shares. Ellington Financial Management LLC ("EFM") owns 20,461 common shares. Ellington Capital Management, LLC ("ECM") is the general partner of the Hedge Funds. VC Investments L.L.C. ("VC") is the general partner of EMGH and the managing member of

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EFM and ECM. Michael W. Vranos is the managing member of, and holds a controlling interest in VC. Mr. Vranos, together with VC and, with respect to 1,228,920 common shares, EMGH, share the power to direct the voting and disposition of the common shares, and may be regarded as the beneficial owners of the common shares owned beneficially or of record by each other. Each of Mr. Vranos, VC and EMGH 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.

Represents a separate non-voting class of limited liability company interests ("LTIP Units") of the Issuer, which are structured as profits interests. The 375,000 LTIP Units are held by EMGH and have vested. The LTIP Units may be converted, at the election of the holder, into common shares representing limited liability company interests of the Issuer on a one-for-one basis. Each of VC, EMGH and Mr. Vranos disclaims beneficial ownership of these LTIP Units except to the extent of it or his pecuniary interest therein.

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