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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

53 FOREST AVENUE

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *\bigsep Vranos Michael W

(First)

(Middle)

(7:m)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2012

__X__ Director ___X__ 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify below)

Co-Chief Investment Officer

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

(State)

(City)	(State) (2	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Acc	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or Dis	sposed	of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
									See
Common shares	08/01/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	11,045	A	\$0	2,373,136	I	Footnote (2)

Common shares $14,294 \frac{(3)}{2}$ D

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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired]
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					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	le Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Couc v	$(\Lambda)(D)$				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationsnips						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Vranos Michael W 53 FOREST AVENUE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870	X	X	Co-Chief Investment Officer				
VC INVESTMENTS LLC 53 FOREST AVE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870		X					

Signatures

/s/ Christopher C. Green, attorney-in-fact for Michael W. Vranos	08/02/2012		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Christopher C. Green, attorney-in-fact for VC Investments LLC	08/02/2012		
**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).
- (1) The shares were issued in connection with the second quarter 2012 incentive fee payable to Ellington Financial Management LLC ("EFM"), the issuer's manager, pursuant to a management agreement between the issuer and EFM.
 - The shares are owned indirectly by each of Michael W. Vranos and VC Investments LLC ("VC"). Of the 2,373,136 shares indirectly beneficially owned by each of Michael W. Vranos and VC, 2,362,091 common shares are owned directly by EMG Holdings, L.P. ("EMGH") and 11,045 common shares are directly owned by EFM. VC is the general partner of EMGH and the managing member of
- (2) EFM. 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 voting and disposition of these common shares, and may be regarded as the beneficial owners of the common shares owned beneficially or of record by each other. 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.

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(3) Represents common shares owned directly by Michael W. Vranos.

Remarks:

In addition, Michael W. Vranos is the settlor of two trusts holding 500,000 and 109,000 common shares, respectively. Michael Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.