Vranos Michael W Form 4 February 14, 2013

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

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

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

53 FOREST AVENUE

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]

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

02/12/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director X 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title __Other (specify below)

Co-Chief Investment Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

(State)

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquon(A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common shares	02/12/2013		J <u>(1)</u>	33,254 A	\$0	2,169,378	I	See Footnote

Common shares

 $14,294 \frac{(3)}{}$ 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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 Title of 	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	,
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	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		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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	Security				Acquired]
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	itolius viisin po						
	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					
EMG Holdings, L.P. 53 FOREST AVE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870		X					

Signatures

/s/ Sara Walden Brown, attorney-in-fact for Michael W.	
Vranos	02/14/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Sara Walden Brown, attorney-in-fact for VC Investments	
LLC	02/14/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Sara Walden Brown, attorney-in-fact for EMG Holdings,	
L.P.	02/14/2013
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
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- (1) The shares were issued in connection with the fourth 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.
 - Of these 2,169,378 common shares, 1,892,619 common shares are owned directly by EMG Holdings, L.P. ("EMGH"), 86,461 common shares are directly owned by EFM and 190,298 common shares are held in family trusts for the benefit of EMGH partners (other than Mr. Vranos) for which Mr. Vranos acts as trustee. VC Investments LLC ("VC") is the general partner of EMGH and the managing
- (2) member of 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 common shares held by EMGH and EFM, 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.
- (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.