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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add Penn Laurence	•	ting Person *	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	, a rr			
53 FOREST AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2018	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO and President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
OLD GREEN	IWICH, 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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transactior(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Dire Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Shares rep limited liability company interests	05/10/2018		P	3,900	A	\$ 15.68 (1)	20,575	D	
Common Shares rep limited liability company interests	05/11/2018		P	19,990	A	\$ 15.79 (2)	40,565	D	

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Common Shares rep limited

liability

company interests

468,611

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See footnote (3)

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)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	.	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
					4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number	

Code V (A) (D)

Reporting Owners

Relationships							
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
X		CEO and President					
		Director 10% Owner	Director 10% Owner Officer				

Signatures

/s/ Jason Frank, attorney-in-fact for Laurence
Penn 05/14/2018

**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).

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This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.67 to \$15.68. 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.

- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.73 to \$15.83. 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.
- Mr. Penn is a limited partner in EMG Holdings L.P. ("EMGH"), which holds certain common shares with respect to which Mr. Penn receives the economic benefit but does not have voting or dispositive power while held by EMGH. Historically, Mr. Penn has had the right to withdraw from EMGH some of those common shares, but not others. Mr. Penn currently has the right to withdraw 468,611 of these common shares from EMGH.

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