

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Dannhauser Stephen J</u>			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/27/2021</u>		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Ellington Financial Inc. [ EFC ]</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director Officer (give title below)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
53 FOREST AVENUE			10% Owner			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
(Street)	(State)	(Zip)	Other (specify below)			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
OLD GREENWICH	CT	06870					

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

**Remarks:**

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Jason S. Frank, as attorney-in-fact for 02/03/2021  
Stephen J. Dannhauser

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned (the "Reporting Person") hereby constitutes and appoints Laurence Penn, Daniel Margolis, Jason Frank, Daniel M. LeBey, and Chris (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the (2) execute for and on behalf of the Reporting Person, in the Reporting Person's capacity as an officer and/or director of Ellington Financial (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the Reporting Person which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to the Reporting Person grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and proper to carry out the foregoing. This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect until the Reporting Person is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the Reporting Person.  
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Reporting Person has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed on February 3, 2020.

Sign here: /s/ Stephen J. Dannhauser  
Print Name: Stephen J. Dannhauser