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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Vranos Michael W			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/07/2010			3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Ellington Financial LLC</u> [EFC]						
(Last) (Firs 53 FOREST AVEN						Officer (give title	10% Owne	r	(Mont	th/Day/Year)	te of Original Filed	
(Street) OLD GREENWICH CT	06870					X Officer (give title below) Co-Chief Investmer	Other (spec below) nt Officer	ury		cable Line) Form filed by	Group Filing (Check One Reporting Person More than One erson	
(City) (Sta	te) (Zip)											
			Table I - No	n-	Derivat	tive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned					
1. Title of Security (In	str. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownershi Form: Direc or Indirect ((Instr. 5)	i(D)	4. Natu (Instr.		Beneficial Ownership	
Common shares rep	resenting limited lial	oility cn	npny interest	s		2,587,920 ⁽¹⁾	I		See n	ote ⁽¹⁾		
		(e				e Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		5)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			3. Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security	urity (Instr. 4)		rsion rcise of	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Expira Exercisable Date		cpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
LTIP units ⁽²⁾			(2)		(2)	Common shares	375,000 ⁽²⁾	(2))	Ι	See note ⁽²⁾	
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(Street) OLD GREENWICH	СТ	06870)	_								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
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(Street) OLD GREENWICH	СТ	06870)									
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
1. Name and Address of <u>EMG Holdings</u>												
(Last) 53 FOREST AVEN	(First) IUE	(Middle	?)									
(Street) OLD GREENWICH	СТ	06870)	-								

(0	City)	(State)	(Zip)

Explanation of Responses:

1. 1,294,004 common shares are held by EMG Holdings, L.P. ("EMG Holdings"), 43,916 common shares are held by Ellington Financial Management LLC ("Ellington Financial Management") and 1,250,000 shares are held by three affiliated hedge funds for which Ellington Capital Management, LLC ("Ellington Capital Management") is the general partner. VC Investments L.L.C. ("VC Investments") is the general partner of EMG Holdings and the managing member of Ellington Financial Management and Ellington Capital Management. Michael W. Vranos ("Mr. Vranos") is the managing member of, and holds a controlling interest in, VC Investments. Each of VC Investments, EMG Holdings and Mr. Vranos disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of it 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 EMG Holdings 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. The LTIP Units were issued pursuant to, and are subject to the eterms and conditions of, the Issuer's 2007 Incentive Plan for Entities. Each of VC Investments, EMG Holdings and Mr. Vranos disclaims beneficial ownership of these LTIP Units except to the extent of it or his pecuniary interest therein.

Remarks:

This statement is filed as a joint report pursuant to Rule 16a-3(j) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by the undersigned Reporting Persons. Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney Exhibit 24.2 - Power of Attorney Exhibit 24.3 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Ashton J. Harris for Michael
W. Vranos10/07/2010/s/ Ashton J. Harris for VC
Investments L.L.C.10/07/2010/s/ Ashton J. Harris for EMG
Holdings, L.P.10/07/2010** Signature of Reporting PersonDate

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, Lisa Mumford, Mark Tecotzky, Neha Mathur, Daniel M. LeBey, Christopher C. Green and Ashton J. Harris, and each of them, as the Reporting Person's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(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 "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;

(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 LLC (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(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 such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(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, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the Reporting Person, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the Reporting Person pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

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, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the Reporting Person might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The Reporting Person acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the Reporting Person, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the Reporting Person's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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's holdings of, and transactions in securities issued by, the Company, unless earlier revoked by the Reporting Person in a signed writing delivered to the attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Reporting Person has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed on September 24, 2010.

Sign here: /s/ Michael W. Vranos

Print Name: Michael W. Vranos

POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Charles Cotter, Eric Bothwell, Paul Saltzman, Daniel M. LeBey, Christopher C. Green and Ashton J. Harris, and each of them, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(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 "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;

(2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a beneficial owner of 10% or more of Ellington Financial LLC (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(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, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 9th day of December, 2009.

By: /s/ Michael W. Vranos

Name: Michael W. Vranos Title: Managing Member of VC Investments L.L.C.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Charles Cotter, Eric Bothwell, Paul Saltzmen, Daniel M. LeBey, Christopher C. Green and Ashton J. Harris, and each of them, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(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 "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;

(2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a beneficial owner of 10% or more of Ellington Financial LLC (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(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, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned's pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 9th day of December, 2009.

EMG HOLDINGS, L.P. By: VC Investments L.L.C., its general partner By: /s/ Michael W. Vranos Name: Michael W. Vranos Title: Managing Member