FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	ess of Reporting Pers	son [*]	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
Vranos Mich	<u>aer w</u>		<u></u> []	X	Director	Х	10% Owner		
(Last) 53 FOREST AV	(First) TENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2011	- X	Officer (give title below) Co-Chief Inve	stmen	Other (specify below) It Officer		
(Street) OLD GREENWICH (City)	CT (State)	06870 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Form filed by One Form filed by More Person	Repor	ting Person		

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)	Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		+)
Common shares	05/03/2011		J ⁽¹⁾		2,639	A	\$0.00	2,608,381	Ι	See Footnote ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾

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 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. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

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

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Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares were issued in connection with the first quarter 2011 incentive fee payable to Ellington Financial Management LLC ("EFM"), our manager, pursuant to our management agreement.

2. The shares are owned indirectly by each of Michael W. Vranos ("Mr. Vranos") and VC Investments LLC ("VC"). See footnote (3) below for additional information regarding the ownership of these shares. 3. Three affiliated hedge funds ("Hedge Funds") own 1,250,000 Common Shares. Each of EMG Holdings, L.P. ("EMGH") and EFM owns 1,335,945 Common Shares and 22,436 Common Shares, respectively, as of the date of this Form 4. Ellington Capital Management, LLC ("ECM") is the general partner of the Hedge Funds. VC is the general partner of EMGH and the managing member of EFM and ECM. Mr. Vranos is the managing member of, and holds a controlling interest in, VC. Mr. Vranos, together with VC and, with respect to 1,335,945 Common Shares, EMGH, share the power to direct the voting and disposition of the Common Shares, and may be regarded as the beneficial owners of the Common Shares owned beneficially or of record by each other.

4. Each of Mr. Vranos, VC and EMGH disclaims beneficial ownership of any Common Shares owned beneficially or of record by each other except to the extent of it or his pecuniary interest therein.

<u>/s/ Christopher C. Green,</u> <u>attorney-in-fact</u>	<u>05/05/2011</u>
** 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 4 (b)(v).

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