Vranos Michael W Form 4 August 03, 2018

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Vranos Michael W	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last) (First) (Middle)	Ellington Financial LLC [EFC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)
53 FOREST AVENUE	(Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2018	X DirectorX 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Co-Chief Investment Officer
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) (2	Table Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
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. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D 4 and (A) or)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares	08/01/2018		J <u>(1)</u>	1,841	A	\$ 0	1,025,920	I	See Footnote
Common Shares							362,070	D	
Common Shares							1,296,262	I	See footnote (3)
Common Shares							177,474	I	In Trust (4)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Under	lying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 9	Director 10% Owner Officer C							
Vranos Michael W			Co-Chief					
53 FOREST AVENUE	X	X	Investment					
OLD GREENWICH CT 06870	Officer							

Signatures

/s/ Jason S. Frank, attorney-in-fact for Michael W. Vranos

08/03/2018

**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).
- The shares were issued in connection with the second quarter 2018 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 1,025,920 common shares, 1,024,079 common shares are owned directly by EMG Holdings, L.P. ("EMGH") and 1,841 common shares are directly owned by EFM. VC Investments LLC ("VC") is the general partner of EMGH and the managing 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) Mr. Vranos is the managing member of an entity that holds these shares for estate planning purposes.

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(4) Common Shares are held in family trusts for the benefit of EMGH partners (other than Mr. Vranos) for which Mr. Vranos acts as trustee.
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