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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

53 FOREST AVE

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SIMON RONALD I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Person

(First) (Last)

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

09/13/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

(Street)

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common shares rep.

(City)

limited 09/14/2016 liabiilty

M 2,475 Α \$0 18.026

By trust (1) Ι

company interests

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivati Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5)	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	(
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
LTIP Units (2)	(3)	09/13/2016		A	2,801		(3)	(3)	Common Shares	2,801	
LTIP Units	(2)	09/14/2016		M		2,475	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Shares	2,475	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SIMON RONALD I 53 FOREST AVE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870	X						

Signatures

/s/ Jason Frank, attorney-in-fact for Ronald I. Simon

**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 are held in the Simon Family Trust (the "Trust"). Mr. Simon is a trustee of the Trust. Mr. Simon and his wife are the beneficiaries of the Trust. Mr. Simon disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Represents a separate non-voting class of limited liability company interests ("LTIP Units") of Ellington Financial LLC (the "Company"), (2) which are structured as profits interests. The LTIP Units were issued pursuant to, and are subject to the terms and conditions of, the Issuer's 2007 Incentive Plan for Individuals.

09/15/2016

- The 2,801 LTIP Units remain forfeitable, subject to the reporting person's continued service as a member of the board of directors of the Company, until September 12, 2017. After the applicable forfeiture restrictions lapse, the LTIP Units may be converted at the election of the holder, into common shares representing limited liability interests of the Company ("Common Shares") on a one-for-one basis. The rights to convert LTIP Units into Common Shares do not have expiration dates.
- Represents the conversion of outstanding vested LTIP Units into common shares pursuant to the terms thereof. The conversion does not represent or involve a disposition for value. The 2,475 LTIP Units became convertible on September 14, 2016. The rights to convert LTIP Units into Common Shares do not have expiration dates.

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