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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Vranos Michael W Issuer Symbol Ellington Financial LLC [EFC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_ Director \_X\_\_ 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_Other (specify 53 FOREST AVENUE 02/11/2014 below) Co-Chief Investment Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person

#### OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
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			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		,
Common shares	02/11/2014		J <u>(1)</u>	13,564	A	\$0	2,205,623	I	See Footnote (2)
Common shares							514,294 (3)	D	

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

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Vranos Michael W 53 FOREST AVENUE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870	X	X	Co-Chief Investment Officer				
VC INVESTMENTS LLC 53 FOREST AVE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870		X					
Signatures							

/s/ Jason S. Frank, attorney-in-fact for Michael W. Vranos	02/13/2014		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		
/s/ Jason S. Frank, attorney-in-fact for VC Investments LLC	02/13/2014		

\*\*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 fourth quarter 2013 incentive fee payable to Ellington Financial Management LLC **(1)** ("EFM"), the issuer's manager, pursuant to a management agreement between the issuer and EFM.
  - Of these 2,205,623 common shares, 1,905,443 common shares are owned directly by EMG Holdings, L.P. ("EMGH"), 122,706 common shares are directly owned by EFM and 177,474 common shares are held in family trusts for the benefit of EMGH partners (other than Mr. Vranos) for which Mr. Vranos acts as trustee. VC Investments LLC ("VC") is the general partner of EMGH and the managing
- **(2)** 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.

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(3) Represents common shares owned directly by Michael W. Vranos.

### **Remarks:**

In addition, Michael W. Vranos is the settlor of a trust holding 109,000 common shares. Michael W. Vranos disclaims benefic Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.