Ellington Financial LLC Form 4 September 17, 2015

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]

09/15/2015

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Director

10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

53 FOREST AVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

15,551

Common

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

shares rep. limited

09/15/2015

1.947

(A)

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of ctionDerivative Securities 3) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |              | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8<br>I<br>( |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------|--|--------------------|---|--|-------------|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                  | (A)   | (D)          | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |             |
| LTIP<br>Units (2)                                   | (3)   | 09/15/2015                           |   | A                                       | 2,475   |              | (2)  | (2)                | Common<br>Shares  | 2,475                                  |             |
| LTIP<br>Units                                       | (2)   | 09/15/2015                           |   | M                                       |   | 1,947<br>(4) | (2)  | (2)                | Common<br>Shares  | 1,947                                  |             |

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### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| SIMON RONALD I<br>53 FOREST AVE<br>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.

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- The 2,475 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 14, 2016. 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.
- (4) 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.

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