

SIMON RONALD I  
Form 4  
January 04, 2011

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**53 FOREST AVENUE**

(Street)

**OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**Ellington Financial LLC [EFC]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**12/31/2010**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 representing limited liability company interes	12/31/2010		M	1,250 A \$ 0 7,500	I	By trust <sup>(1)</sup>	

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. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Deriva Security (Instr.	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
LTIP Units	(2)	12/31/2010		M	1,250	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	1,250	\$ 0

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Lisa Mumford,  
Attorney-in-Fact 01/04/2011

\_\_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 the trustee of the Trust. Mr. Simon and his wife are the  
(1) 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 the Issuer, which are structured as profits  
(2) interests. The LTIP Units became fully vested on 10/1/2010. The LTIP Units are convertible, at the election of the holder, into common shares representing limited liability company interests of the Issuer on a one-for-one basis.

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