SIMON RONALD I

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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interests

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SIMON RONALD I Issuer Symbol Ellington Financial LLC [EFC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 53 FOREST AVE 10/01/2012 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 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 OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

| | ŕ | | | | | | Person | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (City) | (State) (Z | Zip) Table | I - Non-De | rivative S | Securi | ties Aco | quired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficial | lly Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Transactio Code | 4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
| (msu. 3) | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | | Owned Following Reported | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common shares rep. | | | | | | | | | |
| limited liability company | 10/01/2012 | | M | 1,250 | A | \$0 | 10,000 | I | By trust (1) |

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) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number proof 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. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr. |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| LTIP Units | <u>(2)</u> | 10/01/2012 | M | 1,250 | (2) | (2) | Common Shares | 1,250 | \$ (|

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/ Sara Walden Brown, Attorney-in-Fact

10/01/2012

**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
- (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 laibility company interests ("LTIP Units") of the Issuer, which are structured as profits (2) interests. The LTIP Units became fully vested on 9/14/2012. 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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