Blackstone Holdings III L.P.
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Blackstone Holdings III L.P.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P., 345 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT [EARN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/13/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

_____ Director
__X__ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below)
_____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
_X_ 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/13/2018		P		7,000	A	$ 10.79 (1)	3,012,829	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)
Common Stock	11/14/2018		P		14,911	A	$ 10.84 (6)	3,027,740	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)
Common Stock	11/15/2018		P		4,001	A	$ 10.78 (7)	3,031,741	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Blackstone Holdings III L.P. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		
Blackstone Tactical Opportunities EARN Holdings L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		
BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		
BTOA L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		
Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X		

Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X
Blackstone Group L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X
Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X
SCHWARZMAN STEPHEN A C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X

Signatures

BLACKSTONE TACTICAL OPPORTUNITIES EARN HOLDINGS L.L.C., By: BTO EARN Manager L.L.C., its managing member, By: BTOA L.L.C., its sole member, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BTO EARN MANAGER L.L.C., By: BTOA L.L.C., its sole member, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BTOA L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P., its general partner, By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P., By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE GROUP MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	11/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

/s/ Stephen A. Schwarzman

11/15/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from $10.76 to $10.83, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (the "Issuer"), any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.

(2) These shares represent common shares of beneficial interest, $0.01 par value per share ("Common Shares") of the Issuer that are directly held by Blackstone Tactical Opportunities EARN Holdings L.L.C. ("EARN Holdings").

(3) BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. is the managing member of EARN Holdings. BTOA L.L.C. is the sole member of BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is the managing member of BTOA L.L.C. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P.

(4) The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. The sole member of Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. is The Blackstone Group L.P. The general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P. is Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. is wholly owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by its founder, Stephen A. Schwarzman. As a result of his control of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., Mr. Schwarzman may be deemed to have voting and investment power with respect to the Common Shares held by EARN Holdings.

(5) Each of such Blackstone entities and Mr. Schwarzman may be deemed to beneficially own the shares beneficially owned by EARN Holdings directly or indirectly controlled by it or him, but each (other than EARN Holdings to the extent of its direct holdings) disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed to be an admission that, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise, the Reporting Persons are the beneficial owners of any securities reported herein.

(6) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from $10.78 to $10.90, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.

(7) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from $10.74 to $10.84, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.

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