

Penn Laurence
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Penn Laurence

(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)
05/10/2018

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)
CEO and President

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares rep limited liability company interests	05/10/2018		P		\$ 15.68 (1)	20,575	D
Common Shares rep limited liability company interests	05/11/2018		P		\$ 15.79 (2)	40,565	D

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This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.67 to \$15.68. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

- (2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.73 to \$15.83. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

- (3) Mr. Penn is a limited partner in EMG Holdings L.P. ("EMGH"), which holds certain common shares with respect to which Mr. Penn receives the economic benefit but does not have voting or dispositive power while held by EMGH. Historically, Mr. Penn has had the right to withdraw from EMGH some of those common shares, but not others. Mr. Penn currently has the right to withdraw 468,611 of these common shares from EMGH.

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