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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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 **Smernoff Chris** Issuer Symbol Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (Check all applicable) [EARN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 53 FOREST AVENUE 12/11/2018 Chief Financial Officer (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 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transaction	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
(11041 5)		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned Following Reported			
G			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common shares of beneficial interest	12/11/2018		A	2,359	A	\$ 0 (1)	4,937	D	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
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						Exercisable			Number		
				Code V	(A) (D)		of				
				Coue v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Smernoff Chris 53 FOREST AVENUE OLD GREENWICH, CT 06870

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Jason Frank, as attorney-in-fact for Christopher Smernoff

12/11/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The common shares of beneficial interest (the "Common Shares") were granted to the Reporting Person as the Company's Chief Financial Officer, under the Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT 2013 Equity Incentive Plan. 1,180 of the Common Shares will vest, subject to certain limitations, on December 11, 2019, and the remaining 1,179 of the Common Shares will vest, subject to certain limitations, on December 11, 2020.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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