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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Penn Laurence (Last) (First) (Middle) 53 FOREST AVENUE (Street) OLD GREENWICH CT 06870 | | | | | 3. D 02/ | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT [EARN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2016 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | (Che X X 6. Inc Line) | S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO and President 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|----------|--|--|-----------------|--------------|---|---|-----------|---|---|--|--|------------------------|---|---|--|
| (City) | (Si | ate) (. | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | Pers | | re than One Re | porting | |
| | | Tabl | e I - No | on-Deriv | ative/ | Sec | curitie | s Ac | quired | l, Dis | sposed o | f, or E | Benef | icially | Owne | ed | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day | | | | | | //Year) Execution | | cution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | es Acqu Of (D) (Ir | ired (A) istr. 3, 4 | or and 5) | Secur Benef | icially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) (D) | Pr Pr | ce | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (| | | | |
| Common shares 02/01/2 | | | | | | :016 | | | P | | 399 | A | \$1 | 1.44(1 | 1 | 3,139 | D | | |
| Common shares 02/02/2 | | | | 2016 | | | | P | | 701 | A | . \$1 | 1.39(2 |) ⁽²⁾ 13,840 | | D | | | |
| 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) | te Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Month/Day/Year Fixed Securities | | rative rities ired r osed) | 6. Date Expirati (Month/ | ion Da Day/Y | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares | | De Se (In | Price of rivative curity str. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$11.41 to \$11.48. 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. All purchases pursuant to this transaction were made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$11.22 to \$11.46. 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. All purchases pursuant to this transaction were made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

Remarks:

/s/ Jason Frank, as attorney-in-02/03/2016 fact for Laurence Penn

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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