# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549** 

# **FORM 10-Q/A** (Amendment No. 1)

X	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2020
	OR

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from Commission file number 001-34569

# Ellington Financial Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

26-0489289 Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

53 Forest Avenue Old Greenwich, Connecticut 06870 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (203) 698-1200 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

#### Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Trad	ing Symbol(s)	Name of Each Exchange on Which F	legistered
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share		EFC	The New York Stock Exchange	
6.750% Series A Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redee Preferred Stock		EFC PR A	The New York Stock Exchange	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the reg days. Yes $\boxtimes$ No $\square$				
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has suf $\Gamma$ (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 month				0
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a lar growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated fi Exchange Act.				
Large Accelerated Filer		Accelerated Filer		$\boxtimes$
Non-Accelerated Filer		Smaller Reporting	Company	
		Emerging Growth	Company	
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check material accounting standards provided pursuant to Section	0		extended transition period for complying with a	ıy new or revised
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a she	ll company (as defined	l in Rule 12b-2 of the E	xchange Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵	
Number of shares of the Registrant's common stock o	0	.5, 2020: 43,779,924 NATORY NOTE		
Ellington Financial Inc. (the "Company") is filing	ug this Amandment I	No. 1 on Form 10-Ω//	A (this "Amondment") to amond its Quarte	rly Report on

Ellington Financial Inc. (the "Company") is filing this Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-Q/A (this "Amendment") to amend its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2020, originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on May 21, 2020 (the "Original Form 10-Q"), solely in order to add this Explanatory Note, which was inadvertently omitted from the Original Form 10-Q, to disclose that the Company had filed the Original Form 10-Q after the May 11, 2020 deadline, in reliance on an order issued by the SEC under Section 36 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") Granting Exemptions from Specified Provisions of the Exchange Act and Certain Rules Thereunder, dated March 4, 2020 (Release No. 34-88318), as modified and superseded by a new SEC order under Section 36 of the Exchange Act Modifying Exemptions from the Reporting and Proxy Delivery Requirements for Public Companies, dated March 25, 2020 (Release No. 34-88465) (collectively, the "Order").

On May 11, 2020, the Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K (the "Form 8-K") to indicate its intention to rely on the Order for such extension. Specifically, the Company disclosed that the ongoing coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic had caused disruptions in the day-to-day activities of the Company, including requiring the Company's financial reporting staff to work from home. These circumstances slowed the Company's quarterly financial reporting process, including the preparation and validation of certain quarter-end financial supporting schedules required by Form 10-Q. This in turn caused delays in the Company's ability to complete the Original Form 10-Q. Consistent with the Company's statements made in the Form 8-K, the Company filed its Original Form 10-Q on May 21, 2020 (which was within the permitted timeframe of the Order).

In addition, as required by Rule 12b-15 under the Exchange Act, the Company is including in this Amendment certifications from its principal executive officer and principal financial officer as required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of the Exchange Act as exhibits to this Amendment. Because no financial statements have been included in this Amendment and this Amendment does not contain or amend any disclosure with respect to Items 307 and 308 of Regulation S-K, paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of the certifications have been omitted. We are not including the certifications under Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 as no financial statements are being filed with this Amendment.

Except as described above, this Amendment does not amend, modify or update the information in, or exhibits to, the Original Form 10-Q. Furthermore, this Amendment does not change any previously reported financial results nor does it reflect events occurring after the filing of the Original Form 10-Q. This Amendment should be read in conjunction with the Original Form 10-Q.

# Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit	Description			
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes – Oxley Act of 2002			
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes – Oxley Act of 2002			
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002			
32.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes - Oxley Act of 2002			
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document			
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema			
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase			
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase			
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase			
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase			

<sup>\*</sup> Furnished with the Original Form 10-Q. These certifications are not deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ELLINGTON FINANCIAL INC.

/s/ Laurence Penn

Laurence Penn Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

ELLINGTON FINANCIAL INC.

/s/ JR HERLIHY

JR Herlihy

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date:

Date: May 28, 2020

May 28, 2020

## CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

# I, Laurence Penn, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Amendment No. 1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Ellington Financial Inc.; and
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report.

Date: May 28, 2020

/s/ Laurence Penn

Laurence Penn Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

## CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

### I, JR Herlihy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Amendment No. 1 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Ellington Financial Inc.; and
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report.

Date: May 28, 2020

/s/ JR Herlihy

JR Herlihy Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)