Ellington Financial LLC Form 8-K December 16, 2013

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 12, 2013 ELLINGTON FINANCIAL LLC (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-34569(State or other jurisdiction(Commissionof incorporation)File Number)53 Forest AvenueJob CommissionOld Greenwich, CT 06870Vertice offices)(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 698-1200

26-0489289 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 12, 2013, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Ellington Financial LLC (the "Company"), upon the recommendation of the Compensation Committee of the Board, approved 2013 incentive compensation for Lisa Mumford, the Company's Chief Financial Officer. Pursuant to the 2013 incentive compensation package approved by the Board, Ms. Mumford will receive a discretionary cash bonus of \$268,000, with the payment of approximately 23% of this cash bonus deferred to the end of the 2014 fiscal year (the "Deferral Period"). During the Deferral Period, the deferred portion of the bonus will be subject to forfeiture under certain circumstances, including in the event Ms. Mumford resigns or her employment is terminated for cause. In addition, Ms. Mumford was awarded 8,742 LTIP Units, of which 4,371 LTIP Units are subject to similar forfeiture restrictions that will lapse on December 12, 2014 and the remaining 4,371 LTIP Units are subject to similar forfeiture restrictions that will lapse on December 12, 2015. The LTIP Unit award was made pursuant to the Company's Form of LTIP Unit Award Agreement, filed as Exhibit 10.7 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, and incorporated by reference herein.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ELLINGTON FINANCIAL LLC

Date: December 13, 2013

By: /s/ Lisa Mumford Lisa Mumford Chief Financial Officer