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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Blackstone H	*	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT [EARN]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	DirectorX10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP			08/10/2018	below) below)			
L.P., 345 PAI	RK AVENU	JE	00, 10, 2 010				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person			
NEW YORK, NY 10154				_X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Directory Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect t Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/10/2018		P	10,690	A	\$ 11.21 (1)	2,935,213	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)
Common Stock	08/13/2018		P	16,468	A	\$ 11.23 <u>(6)</u>	2,951,681	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)
Common Stock	08/14/2018		P	12,724	A	\$ 11.25 <u>(7)</u>	2,964,405	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (5)

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities		ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own
	Security			Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Blackstone Holdings III L.P. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X					
Blackstone Tactical Opportunities EARN Holdings L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X					
BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X					
BTOA L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X					
Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154		X					

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Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X	
Blackstone Group L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X	
Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X	
SCHWARZMAN STEPHEN A C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P. 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154	X	
Signatures		
BLACKSTONE TACTICAL OPPORTUNITIES EARN HOLDIN EARN Manager L.L.C., its managing member, By: BTOA L.L.C., John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	•	08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
BTO EARN MANAGER L.L.C., By: BTOA L.L.C., its sole mem Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	ber, By: /s/ John G. Finley,	08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
BTOA L.L.C., By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title	: Chief Legal Officer	08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III L.P., By: Blackstone Holdings II partner, By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its go G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer		08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP L.P., By: Blackstone Holding L.L.C., its general partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. F Officer		08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By John G. Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	v:/s/ John G. Finley, Name:	08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P., By: Blackstone Group Manag partner, By: /s/ John G. Finley, Name: John G. Finley, Title: Chief	•	08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date
BLACKSTONE GROUP MANAGEMENT L.L.C., By: /s/ John C Finley, Title: Chief Legal Officer	G. Finley, Name: John G.	08/14/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date

Signatures 3

/s/ Stephen A. Schwarzman

08/14/2018

**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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from \$11.18 to \$11.25, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (the "Issuer"), any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.
- (2) These shares represent common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share ("Common Shares") of the Issuer that are directly held by Blackstone Tactical Opportunities EARN Holdings L.L.C. ("EARN Holdings").
- BTO EARN Manager L.L.C. is the managing member of EARN Holdings. BTOA L.L.C. is the sole member of BTO EARN Manager (3) L.L.C. Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is the managing member of BTOA L.L.C. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P.
 - The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. The sole member of Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. is The Blackstone Group L.P. The general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P. is
- (4) Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. is wholly owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by its founder, Stephen A. Schwarzman. As a result of his control of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., Mr. Schwarzman may be deemed to have voting and investment power with respect to the Common Shares held by EARN Holdings.
 - Each of such Blackstone entities and Mr. Schwarzman may be deemed to beneficially own the shares beneficially owned by EARN Holdings directly or indirectly controlled by it or him, but each (other than EARN Holdings to the extent of its direct holdings) disclaims
- (5) beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed to be an admission that, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise, the Reporting Persons are the beneficial owners of any securities reported herein.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from \$11.14 to \$11.275, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions ranging from \$11.22 to \$11.28, inclusive. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth above.

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