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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Blackstone Holdings III L.P.</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P.,Â 345 PARK AVENUE</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10154</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>05/01/2013</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT [EARN]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  (give title below) (specify below)</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Shares	2,555,599	I	See Footnotes <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	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	^	^
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. C/O THE 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 HOLDINGS L.L.C.; By: BTO EARN Manager L.L.C., its managing member; By: BTOA L.L.C., its sole member; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BTO EARN MANAGER L.L.C.; By: BTOA L.L.C., its sole member; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BTOA L.L.C.; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III L.P.; By: Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P., its general partner; By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP L.P.; By: Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C., its general partner; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE HOLDINGS III GP MANAGEMENT L.L.C.; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P.; By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., its general partner; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BLACKSTONE GROUP MANAGEMENT L.L.C.; By: /s/ John G. Finley; Title: Chief Legal Officer	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
STEPHEN A SCHWARZMAN, /s/ Stephen A. Schwarzman	05/01/2013
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- (1) These shares represent common shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share ("Common Shares") of Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (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 L.L.C.
  - (2) 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 Blackstone Group Management L.L.C.
  - (3) 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.
  - (4) 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 beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein. The filing of this statement

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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.

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