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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> HALL R SCOTT | | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 09/27/2010 | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND [FSD] | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|---------------|---|---|---------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 09/2//2010 | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | |
| C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS LP, 120 EAST LIBERTY DRIVE, SUITE 400 (Street) WHEATON, IL 60187 | | | (Check all applicable) Director 10% (OfficerX Other (give title below) (specify belo Officer - Investment Advi | | | Owner er ow) | Dwner 6. Individual or Joint/Group ^{W)} Filing(Check Applicable Line) | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - N | Non-Derivat | ive Securit | ies Be | neficially Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | | 4. Nat Owne (Instr. | • | | |
| Common Sha | ares | | 0 | | D | Â | | |
| Reminder: Repo owned directly o | or indirectly. Perso | ns who res | ch class of securities benefic | 5 | EC 1473 (7-02 | 2) | | |
| | requir | ed to respo | lined in this form are not nd unless the form displ //B control number. | | | | | |
| Ta | able II - Dei | rivative Secu | rities Beneficially Owned (e | .g., puts, calls, | warrants, op | tions, c | onvertible securities) | |
| 1. Title of Deriv | ative Securi | ty 2. Da | te Exercisable and 3. Title | and Amount of | 4. | 5. | 6. Nature of Indirect | |

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Date Exercisable and | 3. Title and Amount of | 4. | 5. | 6. Nature of Indirect |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| (Instr. 4) | Expiration Date | Securities Underlying | Conversion Ownership | | Beneficial Ownership |
| | (Month/Day/Year) | Derivative Security | or Exercise | Form of | (Instr. 5) |
| | | (Instr. 4) | Price of | Derivative | |

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Security:

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------|----------------------------------|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | |
|---|-----------|---------------|-----------|---------|------------------------------|--|
| | | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| HALL R SCOTT C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS LP 120 EAST LIBERTY DRIVE, SUITE 400 WHEATON, IL 60187 | | Â | Â | Â | Officer - Investment Adviser | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| /s/ R. Scott Hall 0 | 9/27/2010 | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v). *

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