

FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND

Form 8-K

April 13, 2017

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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) April 13, 2017

FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

811-22442  
(Commission File Number)

27-3072807  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

120 East Liberty Drive, Suite 400  
Wheaton, Illinois  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60187  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (630) 765-8000

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

First Trust High Income Long/Short Fund (the "Fund") is filing herewith a press release issued on April 13, 2017, as Exhibit 99.1. The press release was issued by First Trust Advisors L.P. to report that MacKay Shields LLC ("MacKay"), the Fund's investment sub-advisor, will release an update on the market and the Fund on April 18, 2017. Details regarding the access to the update are contained in the press release included herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press release of First Trust Advisors L.P. dated April 13, 2017.

SIGNATURES

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

Dated: April 13, 2017

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By: /s/ W. Scott Jardine

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Name: W. Scott Jardine

Title: Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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