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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND Swade Donald (Month/Day/Year) [FSD] 09/17/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS (Check all applicable) L.P., Â 120 EAST LIBERTY DRIVE, SUITE 400 Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (Street) Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) **Assistant Treasurer** _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person WHEATON, ILÂ 60187 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Shares 0 Â D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		(Instr 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Derivative Number of Security Shares Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Swade Donald

C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS L.P. 120 EAST LIBERTY DRIVE, SUITE 400 WHEATON, ILÂ 60187

 \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} Assistant Treasurer \hat{A}

Signatures

/s/ Donald Swade 09/18/2012

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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