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January 23, 2017

AS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ON JANUARY 20, 2017

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

ISSUER TENDER OFFER STATEMENT
(PURSUANT TO SECTION 13(e)(1) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934)

FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND (Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND (Name of Filing Person (Issuer))

COMMON SHARES, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE (Title of Class of Securities)

33738E109 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

> W. Scott Jardine Secretary

First Trust High Income Long/Short Fund
(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

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