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Form 8-K January 27, 2014

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) January 27, 2014

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

Massachusetts 811-22442 27-3072807
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.)

120 East Liberty Drive, Suite 400
Wheaton, Illinois 60187
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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 (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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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 January 27, 2014, as Exhibit 99.1. The press release was issued by First Trust Advisors L.P. to report that on February 10, 2014, the Fund will host a conference call with MacKay Shields LLC ("MacKay"), the Fund's investment sub-advisor. The purpose of the call is to hear the Fund's portfolio management team provide an update for the market and the Fund.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press release of First Trust Advisors L.P. dated January 27, 2014.

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: January 27, 2014 FIRST TRUST HIGH INCOME LONG/SHORT FUND

By: /s/ W. Scott Jardine

Name: W. Scott Jardine

Title: Secretary

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