

CALAMOS STRATEGIC TOTAL RETURN FUND

Form 5

December 15, 2006

FORM 5**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL
OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CALAMOS NICK P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2020 CALAMOS COURT

(Street)

NAPERVILLE, IL 60563

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**CALAMOS STRATEGIC TOTAL
RETURN FUND [CSQ]**

3. Statement of Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended
(Month/Day/Year)
10/31/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below) vice president

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â Â	83,722.986 (1)	I	by Kimberly Calamos trust (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of
securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 5)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
					(A) (D)				

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CALAMOS NICK P 2020 CALAMOS COURT NAPERVILLE, IL 60563	Â	Â	Â vice president	Â

Signatures

/s/ James S. Hamman, Jr.
Attorney-in-Fact
12/14/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 10,972,986 shares acquired between December 2004 and October 2006 under the Calamos Strategic Total Return Fund dividend reinvestment plan.
- (2) The total reported number of shares directly held has been reduced to reflect that certain shares, which had previously been reported as directly held, were at the time held indirectly through a trust. These shares are now included in the reporting person's indirect holdings.

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