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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Boyne James J			Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CALAMOS STRATEGIC TOTAL RETURN FUND [CSQ]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	06/04/2008	4. Relationshi Person(s) to Is	p of Reporting		nendment, Date Original Ionth/Day/Year)		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addr	ess	Relationships					
		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Boyne James J 2020 CALAMOS COURT NAPERVILLE, IL 6056	Â 3	Â	vice president	Â			
Signatures							
/s/ James J. Boyne	06/10/2008						

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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

Date

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