

CALAMOS STRATEGIC TOTAL RETURN FUND  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 25**

**NOTIFICATION OF REMOVAL FROM LISTING AND/OR**  
**REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(b) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.**

Commission File Number 333-146943

**Issuer: Calamos Strategic Total Return Fund**  
**Exchange: New York Stock Exchange**

(Exact name of Issuer as specified in its charter, and name of Exchange where security is listed and/or registered)

**Address: 2020 Calamos Court, Naperville, Illinois 60563 Phone: (630) 245-7200**  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Issuer's principal executive offices)

**Common Shares of beneficial interest without par value**  
(Description of class of securities)

Please place an X in the box to designate the rule provision relied upon to strike the class of securities from listing and registration:

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.. 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(1)

.. 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(2)

.. 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(3)

.. 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(4)

.. Pursuant to 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(b), the Exchange has complied with its rules to strike the class of securities from listing and/or withdraw registration on the Exchange.<sup>1</sup>

x Pursuant to 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c), the Issuer has complied with the rules of the Exchange and the requirements of 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c) governing the voluntary withdrawal of the class of securities from listing and registration on the Exchange. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Calamos Strategic Total Return Fund (Name of Issuer or Exchange) certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing the Form 25 and has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

June 28th, 2012  
Date

By J. Christopher Jackson  
Name

Secretary  
Title

<sup>1</sup> Form 25 and attached Notice will be considered compliance with the provisions of 17 CFR 240.19d-1 as applicable. See General Instructions.

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