Nurse Kerel Rodwell Form 3 January 28, 2009 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Nurse Kerel Rodwell			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2009		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DWS STRATEGIC MUNICIPAL INCOME TRUST [KSM]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	0172272007		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
C/O ANJIE LAROCCA, DEUTSCHE ASSET MGMT, 280 PARK AVENUE (Street)					(Check all applicable) <u> </u>		ner 6. Individ Filing(Ch	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting 		
NEW YORK, NY 10017								Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Та	ble I - N	on-Derivativ	e Securities	Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Be	Beneficially Owned Ownership Owne			Nature of Ind wnership nstr. 5)	irect Beneficial		
Reminder: Repo owned directly o		te line for ea	ch class of securitie	es benefici	ally SEC	C 1473 (7-02)				
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Deriv (Instr. 4)	ative Securit	·	te Exercisable and ration Date		and Amount of es Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		

Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

Title

or Exercise

Derivative

Price of

Security

Form of

Derivative Security:

Direct (D)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 5)

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Date	Expiration	Amount or	or Indirect
Exercisa	ble Date	Number of	(I)
		Shares	(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Nurse Kerel Rodwell C/O ANJIE LAROCCA, DEUTSCHE ASSET MGMT 280 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	Â	Â	Section 16 Officer	

Signatures

Kerel Rodwell 01/27/2009 Nurse

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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

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