## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SMITH GARY B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last)	(Fi	(First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									er (give title w)	Other below	(specify	
11362 HOMEWOOD ROAD					_   10/	10/07/2010								PRESIDENT, CEO					
(Street) ELLICOTT					4. II	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
CITY MD 21042													X	Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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(City)	(51	ate) (.	Zip)																
		Tabl	e I - N	Non-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	ed, Di	isposed o	f, or E	Benefici	ially	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye						Execution Date,		_ ^	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquirities Acquiriti					Secur Bene Owne		ficially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 10/07/201						10			S <sup>(1)</sup>		6,250	D	\$15.47	'22 <sup>(2)</sup>	53	30,444(3)	D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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)			Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ite Exer ration D ith/Day/		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				9. Number or derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated December 30, 2009.
- 2. Reflects the weighted average sales price with transactions in a range of sales prices from \$15.29 to \$15.64. Upon request by the SEC, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate sales price will be provided.
- 3. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B. Smith

10/08/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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