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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549**

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**FORM 8-K/A**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): August 23, 2017**

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**Ciena Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

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**001-36250**

(Commission File Number)

**23-2725311**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**7035 Ridge Road, Hanover, MD**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**21076**

(Zip Code)

**(410) 694-5700**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**ITEM 5.02 - DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS**

(d) On August 24, 2017, Ciena Corporation (“Ciena”) filed a Current Report on Form 8-K disclosing that the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Ciena had increased the size of the Board to ten directors and appointed William D. Fathers to fill the newly created vacancy in Class II of the Board, effective August 23, 2017. Committee assignments for Mr. Fathers had not been determined as of the filing of such Form 8-K.

On October 25, 2017, effective immediately, the Board appointed Mr. Fathers to the Compensation Committee and the Governance and Nominations Committee of the Board.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

### **Ciena Corporation**

Date: October 30, 2017

By: /S/ David M. Rothenstein

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David M. Rothenstein

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary