FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Rothenstein David M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]									ationship of Reportin all applicable) Director Officer (give title		ng Person(s) to Issi 10% Owr Other (sp		wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/20/2020									Sr. VP, General Counsel					
(Street) HANOVER MD 21076-14 (City) (State) (Zip)				Line									Line) X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day				tion	ion 2A. Deemed Execution Date			3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			or 5. Amour Securities Beneficia		unt of ties cially Following	Forn (D) c	m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 09/20/2					2020				F		485(1)	Г	\$	41.03	259	259,209(2)		D	
Common Stock 09/20/2					2020				F		605(3)	Г	\$	41.03	258,604(2)			D	
Common Stock 09/20/2					2020				F		468(4)	Г	\$	41.03	258,136(2)			D	
Common Stock 09/20/2					2020				F		598 ⁽⁵⁾ D		\$	41.03	257,538 ⁽²⁾		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)	if any	emed 4. Transa Code (i 8)		Instr.	of	r osed (1. 3, 4	Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ite	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 3 and 4) Amou or Numb of Title Share:		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares withheld to cover payment of the tax liabilities of the reporting person related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/18/2018. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2018.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance Stock Units (PSUs).
- 3. Represents shares withheld to cover payment of the tax liabilities of the reporting person related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/17/2019. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2019.
- 4. Represents shares withheld to cover payment of the tax liabilities of the reporting person related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/14/2016. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/16/2016.
- 5. Represents shares withheld to cover payment of the tax liabilities of the reporting person related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/12/2017. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/14/2017.

By: Michelle Rankin For:
David M Rothenstein

09/21/2020

** 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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