SMITH GARY B Form 4 March 21, 2019

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 7035 RIDGE RD.			03/20/2019	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President, CEO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting			
HANOVER, MD 21076-1426				Person			

HANOVER, MD 21076-1426

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/20/2019		F	2,651 (1)	D	\$ 37.92	576,563 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2019		F	2,625 (3)	D	\$ 37.92	573,938 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2019		F	2,851 (4)	D	\$ 37.92	571,087 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2019		F	3,754 (5)	D	\$ 37.92	567,333 (2)	D	

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	it of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security	Secui
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	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
	·				(A) or						Repo
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					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						Ì
					4, and 5)						
								1	Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	of	Number		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH GARY B C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD. HANOVER, MD 21076-1426

X President, CEO

Signatures

By: Michelle Rankin For: Gary B.

Smith 03/21/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (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 12/15/2015. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/17/2015.
- (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 12/18/2018. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2018.
- (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.

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Reporting Owners 2

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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.

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