FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Aquino Michael Gerald</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]									Check	all app	olicable)		ssuer Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2009										X	belov	v) ``	below Field Operati	)` '
(Street) LINTHICUM, MD 21090					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S		Zip)																
		Tabl	e I - Noi	1-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	of, or	Ben	eficia	ally	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date		n Date,	Transaction Dis		n Disposed	ecurities Acquired (A) posed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Sec Ber		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
							v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11301. 4)			
Common Stock 08					08/01/2009				F		218(1	)	D	\$11.1		6 195,252 <sup>(2)</sup>		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)	rivative Conversion Date Execution I curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date,	Code (Instr.				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Ti Amo Secu Und Deri Secu and				9. Number of 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)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares reported represent the amount forfeited to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated June 1, 2006. The RSU vests at the end of Ciena's fiscal quarters over a four year year term and shares are issued net of taxes upon vesting. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 filed on June 8, 2006.

By: Erik J. Lichter For: Michael G. Aquino

08/04/2009

\*\* 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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<sup>2.</sup> Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).