FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     GALLAGHER PATRICK	2. Date of Event Requiring Staten (Month/Day/Year 05/27/2009	nent	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
1201 WINTERSON ROAD			Officer (give title below)	Other (speci- below)	Appl	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(Street) LINTHICUM, MD 21090							y More than One			
(City) (State) (Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indirect Beneficial Ownership r. 5)				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
Ex		cisable and ate /ear)	3. Title and Amount of Securi Underlying Derivative Securit	ty (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount   I	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

No securities are beneficially owned.

By: Erik Lichter For: Patrick T. 05/28/2009 Gallagher

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints David M. Rothenstein, Erik Lichter and Frances Jackson or their assignees, the undersigneds true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Form ID, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for an on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Form ID, Forms 3, 4 or 5 and the timely filing of such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, the Nasdag Stock Market and any other authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-facts substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming any of the undersigneds responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This Power of Attorney can only be revoked by delivering a signed, original 'Revocation of Power of Attorney' to the attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 27th day of May, 2009.

/s/ Patrick T. Gallagher Signature