## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SMITH ARTHUR D				CI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ cien ]							(CI	heck all ap Dire	plicable) ctor cer (give title	p Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify below)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1201 WINTERSON ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2006									Chief Operating Officer		,		
(Street) LINTHIC			21090 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							S. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date				:h/Day/Year) if a		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Di		Disposed	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			d Secur Bene	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		()	
Common Stock 03/07				//2006	2006			A		9,375(1)		A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	1	37,016	D		
Common Stock 03/07/				/2006				F		3,609	2)	D	\$4.6	54 1	37,016	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  Output  Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)		n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo	ecrivative ecurities (cquired A) or isposed f (D) nstr. 3, 4		n Dat	e Amount		nt of ities lying itive ity (Ins		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares reported as acquired were previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 filed November 3, 2005. The amount reported as acquired represents shares that vested on March 7, 2006 and that were not forfeited to cover tax liabilities of the grantee pursuant to the award grant. Represents the first of 16 quarterly vesting dates.
- $2. \ Shares \ reported \ represent \ the \ amount \ for feited \ to \ cover \ tax \ liabilities \ of \ the \ grantee \ pursuant \ to \ the \ award \ agreement.$

<u>/s/Arthur D. Smith by Anita</u> <u>Weiskerger per POA</u> 03/08/2006

\*\* 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 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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