Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) CIENA CORP [ CIEN ] **ALEXANDER STEPHEN B** Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) SVP, Chief Technology Officer 09/20/2022 C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD. 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person **HANOVER** 21076-1426 MD Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code ( 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(IIISU. 4)		
Common Stock	09/20/2022		F		252(1)	D	\$40.58	26,283(2)	D			
Common Stock	09/20/2022		F		182(3)	D	\$40.58	26,101(2)	D			
Common Stock	09/20/2022		F		307(4)	D	\$40.58	25,794(2)	D			
Common Stock	09/20/2022		F		324(5)	D	\$40.58	25,470(2)	D			

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 8. Price of 9. Number of 11. Nature 10. Derivative Conversion Execution Date Transaction Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Amount of Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect or Exercise Price of Derivative Form: Direct (D) (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Securities Beneficial Code (Instr. Security (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) 8) Underlying Beneficially Securities (Instr. 5) Ownership Acquired Derivativ Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) Security (A) or Disposed Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Following (I) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) of (D) (Instr. 3. 4 and 5) Amount Date Expiration Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Title Shares

## **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 12/16/2020. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of the reporting person's Form 4 on 12/18/2020.
- 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 12/14/2021. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of the reporting person's Form 4 on 12/16/2021
- 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 12/17/2019. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of the reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2019.
- 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 12/18/2018. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of the reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2018

By: Michelle Rankin For: 09/21/2022 Stephen B Alexander

\*\* 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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