## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ALEXANDER STEPHEN B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]								(Check	all app Dired	olicable)	10% (	Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2014								X	belov			)``	
(Street) HANOVER MD 21076-14.  (City) (State) (Zip)				1426	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quirec	l, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enefi	cially	Owne	ed			
Di				2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			and 5) Secur Benef Owner		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 09/2:					2014				S		418(1)	D	\$18	\$18.4709		9,179(2)	D		
Common Stock 09/2					22/2014				S		776 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$18	\$18.471		8,403(2)	D		
Common Stock 09/22/2					2014				S		1,180(4)	D	\$18	\$18.471		7,223(2)	D		
Common Stock 09/22/2					2014	)14			S		772 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	\$18	\$18.4709		6,451 <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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	ution Date, Tr Cr Cr th/Day/Year) 8)		ection Instr.	str. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expirat (Month)  Date Exercise	ion Da /Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		Deri Seci (Inst		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 an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/17/2013. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2013.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).
- 3. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/15/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2011.
- 4. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/14/2010.  $Acquisition \ of the \ RSU \ was \ previously \ reported \ in \ Table \ I \ of \ reporting \ person's \ Form \ 4 \ on \ 12/16/2010.$
- 5. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/18/2012. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2012.

By: Erik Lichter For: Stephen B Alexander

09/23/2014

\*\* 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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