UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

(Rule 14a-101)

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT

SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. ___)

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o Definitive Proxy Statement
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Ciena Corporation (Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

| | (Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement if other than the Registrant) |
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CIENA CORPORATION

2022 Annual Meeting Vote by March 30, 2022 11:59 PM ET



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You invested in CIENA CORPORATION and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on March 31, 2022.

Get informed before you vote

View the Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report with Form 10-K online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to March 17, 2022. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future stockholder meetings, you may (1) visit www.ProxyVote.com, (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.



For complete information and to vote, visit www.ProxyVote.com

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Point your camera here and vote without entering a control number





Vote Virtually at the Meeting*

March 31, 2022 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Virtually at: www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/CIEN2022

^{*}Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming stockholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

| Election of three Class Directors: Nominees: | |
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| Nominees: | |
| 1a. Lawton W. Fitt | ⊘ For |
| 1b. Devinder Kumar | ⊘ For |
| 1c. Patrick H. Nettles, Ph.D. | ⊘ For |
| Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting fit for fiscal 2022. | M O For |
| 3. Advisory vote on our named executive officer compensation, as described in the proxy materials. | ⊘ For |
| NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponeme thereof. | |

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