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### 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 Addre Rothenstein	ess of Reporting Pers <mark>David M</mark>	son <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [ CIEN ]		ationship of Reporting Pe ( all applicable) Director	10% Owner	
(Last) C/O CIENA CO 7035 RIDGE R	O CIENA CORPORATION		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2019	- x	Officer (give title below) Sr. VP, General	Other (specify below) Counsel	
(Street) HANOVER (City)	MD (State)	21076-1426 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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

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)		4. Securities A Disposed Of ( 5)		3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	08/15/2019		S		2,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$41.11	273,588 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(S) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 12/21/2018.

2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance Stock Units (PSUs).

## By: Erik Lichter For: David M. 08/16/2019

<u>Rothenstein</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $\ast$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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