CIENA CORP Form 4 March 10, 2008

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SMITH ARTHUR D Issuer Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ \_\_ Other (specify C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 1201 03/07/2008 below) WINTERSON ROAD CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LINTHICUM,, MD 21090 Person

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/07/2008		M	967	A	\$ 16.52	105,294	D		
Common Stock	03/07/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	67	D	\$ 26.9	105,227	D		
Common Stock	03/07/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 26.75	105,127	D		
Common Stock	03/07/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	800	D	\$ 26.74	104,327	D		

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

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.52	03/07/2008		M	967	(2)	11/02/2015	Common Stock	967

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH ARTHUR D C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD LINTHICUM,, MD 21090

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

## **Signatures**

By: Erik Lichter For: Arthur D. Smith

03/10/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 3/19/07.
- (2) Option vests at a rate of 25% on October 31, 2005 and 2.084% for each of the 36 months thereafter.

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