

Aquino Michael Gerald  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Aquino Michael Gerald</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O CIENA CORPORATION,Â 1201 WINTERSON ROAD</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>LINTHICUM,Â MDÂ 21090</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>04/19/2006</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>CIENA CORP [CIEN]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br/>                 (give title below) (specify below)<br/>                 Sr.V.P. Worldwide Sales</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> | <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

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|--|--|---|--|
| <p>1. Title of Security<br/>(Instr. 4)</p> | <p>2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br/>(Instr. 4)</p> | <p>3. Ownership Form:<br/>Direct (D)<br/>or Indirect (I)<br/>(Instr. 5)</p> | <p>4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br/>(Instr. 5)</p> |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

|   |  |  |   |   |  |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| <p>1. Title of Derivative Security<br/>(Instr. 4)</p> | <p>2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br/>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>Date Exercisable      Expiration Date</p> | <p>3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br/>(Instr. 4)</p> <p>Title      Amount or Number of</p> | <p>4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</p> | <p>5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:<br/>Direct (D)</p> | <p>6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br/>(Instr. 5)</p> |
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|   |       |            |                 | Shares |         | or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
|---|-------|------------|-----------------|--------|---------|----------------------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 05/20/2012 | Common<br>Stock | 88,000 | \$ 6.9  | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 08/20/2012 | Common<br>Stock | 90,000 | \$ 4.3  | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 11/19/2012 | Common<br>Stock | 15,000 | \$ 4.53 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 05/14/2013 | Common<br>Stock | 12,500 | \$ 5.55 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 11/05/2013 | Common<br>Stock | 19,750 | \$ 6.7  | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 05/18/2014 | Common<br>Stock | 12,500 | \$ 3.58 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 05/26/2014 | Common<br>Stock | 37,500 | \$ 3.28 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (2) | 10/26/2014 | Common<br>Stock | 18,750 | \$ 2.41 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (1) | 12/10/2014 | Common<br>Stock | 80,000 | \$ 2.85 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (3) | 06/10/2015 | Common<br>Stock | 14,000 | \$ 2.36 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | Â (4) | 10/26/2015 | Common<br>Stock | 70,000 | \$ 2.49 | D                                | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| Aquino Michael Gerald<br>C/O CIENA CORPORATION<br>1201 WINTERSON ROAD<br>LINTHICUM, MD 21090 | Â             | Â         | Â Sr.V.P. Worldwide Sales | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/Michael G. Aquino by Anita Weiskerger per  
POA

04/28/2006

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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- (1) Option is fully vested. On October 26, 2005, the Board of Directors accelerated the vesting of Ciena's unvested, "out-of-the-money" stock options having an exercise price per share of \$2.50 or greater.
- (2) Option vests at a rate of 25% on October 31, 2005 and 2.084% for each of the 36 months thereafter.
- (3) Option vests at a rate of 25% on June 30, 2006 and 2.084% for each of the 36 months thereafter.
- (4) Option vests in equal amounts over 48 months beginning on November 1, 2005.

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