FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GALLENBERGER MARK J  |   |       |                                   |          |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Cerence Inc. [ CRNC ] |  |   |       |  |                        |            |   |  | k all app   | licable)   | ng Person(s) to<br>10% (<br>Other                                  |   |            |  |
|--|---|-------|-----------------------------------|----------|--|--|--|---|-------|--|------------------------|------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)  1 BURLINGTON WOODS  3RD FLOOR, SUITE 301A   |   |       |                                   |          |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/29/2021              |  |   |       |  |                        |            |   |  | belov   | below)  Chief Financi  |  | below)  | opeoy      |  |
| (Street)   | GTON MA   | A 0   | 1803<br>Zip)                      |          | 4. If <i>F</i>   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                 |  |   |       |  |                        |            |   |  | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |   |            |  |
|  |   | Table | I - No                            | n-Deriva | tive S   | Secu   | rities   | Acq   | uired | , Dis  | posed of               | , or E     | 3enefi                                    | iciall   | y Own   | ed   |  |   |            |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day   |   |       |                                   |          | Execution Date,  |  |  | 3. 4. Securitie<br>Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 5, |       |  |                        |            | 4 and Securi<br>Benefi<br>Owned           |  | ies<br>cially<br>Following  | Form<br>(D) o  | n: Direct<br>or Indirect<br>nstr. 4)                               | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |            |  |
|  |   |       |                                   |          |  |  |  |   | Code  | v  | Amount                 | (A)<br>(D) | or Pr                                     | ice  | Report<br>Transa<br>(Instr. 3   | ced<br>action(s)<br>3 and 4)   |  |   | (Instr. 4) |  |
| Common Stock 11/29/2   |   |       |                                   |          | 2021   |  |  |   | S     |  | 1,137 <sup>(1)</sup> I |            | ) \$                                      | 79.2   | 105,208   |  |  | D   |            |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |       |                                   |          |  |  |  |   |       |  |                        |            |   |  |   |  |  |   |            |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | ative Conversion Date, rity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any |       | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |          | 5. Nu<br>of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D)<br>(Instr<br>and 5 | rities<br>ired<br>r<br>osed<br>)<br>: 3, 4                               | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y |   | ite   | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Ins<br>3 and 4) |                        | De Se (In  | Price of<br>rivative<br>curity<br>str. 5) | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficiall<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | ly  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |            |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represents the number of shares required to be sold by the Reporting Person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of RSUs. This sale is mandated by the Issuer's election under its equity incentive plans to require the satisfaction of tax withholding obligations to be funded by a "sell to cover" transaction and does not represent a discretionary trade by the Reporting Person.

Leanne Fitzgerald attorney-in-

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\*\* 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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