

# FORM 4

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

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>SCHROEDER KENNETH L</b>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>KLA TENCOR CORP [KLAC]</b>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Chief Executive Officer</b>	
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION, 160 RIO ROBLES</b>		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>12/03/2004</b>			
(Street) <b>SAN JOSE, CA 95130</b>		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	12/03/2004		M		47,361	A	\$ 16.97	209,299	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2004		S		47,361	D	\$ 49.2846	161,938	D	
Common Stock-Restricted Stock Units (U)								100,000	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.97	12/03/2004		M		47,361		10/23/1999	10/23/2008	Common Stock	47,361	\$ 49.2846	170,728	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.63							08/31/1999	08/31/2008	Common Stock	79,272		79,272	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.25							11/10/2001	11/10/2010	Common Stock	37,900		37,900	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.31							10/02/2002	10/02/2011	Common Stock	341,100		341,100	D	

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.75							04/04/2002	04/04/2011	Common Stock	37,900		37,900	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.75							10/27/2000	10/27/2009	Common Stock	150,000		150,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.67							11/08/2003	01/28/2013	Common Stock	62,900		62,900	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.05							11/08/2003	11/08/2012	Common Stock	31,450		31,450	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.66							10/27/2006	08/02/2014	Common Stock	22,500		22,500	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.79							09/21/2005	09/21/2014	Common Stock	325,800		325,800	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.6875							08/13/2000	08/13/2010	Common Stock	75,800		75,800	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.16							10/27/2004	04/26/2014	Common Stock	37,500		37,500	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 51.229							11/08/2003	07/30/2013	Common Stock	31,450		31,450	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.86							10/27/2004	10/27/2013	Common Stock	60,000		60,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 58.10							10/27/2006	01/27/2014	Common Stock	30,000		30,000	D	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHROEDER KENNETH L C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION 160 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95130	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

By: Stuart J. Nichols For: Kenneth L. Schroeder		12/06/2004
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

## 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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of KLAC common stock.

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