# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K/A

(Amendment No. 1)

### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 2, 2022

## **CERENCE INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-39030 (Commission File Number) 83-4177087 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1 Burlington Woods Drive, Suite 301A Burlington, Massachusetts 01803 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(857) 362-7300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

|      | ck the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is iowing provisions:                                       | intended to simultaneously satisfy the fi | lling obligation of the registrant under any of the |
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|      | Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 Under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)                           |   |   |
|      | Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)                          |   |   |
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| Seci | urities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:  |   |   |
|      | Title of each class   | Trading<br>Symbol(s)                      | Name of each exchange<br>on which registered        |
|      | Common Stock, \$0.01 per value  | CRNC                                      | The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC                         |
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| Eme  | erging growth company $\square$   |   |   |
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### **Explanatory Note**

This Current Report on Form 8-K/A (this "Amendment") amends the Current Report on Form 8-K of Cerence Inc. (the "Company") filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on February 3, 2022 (the "Original Form 8-K"). The Original Form 8-K reported the final voting results of the Company's 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on February 2, 2022 (the "2022 Annual Meeting"). The sole purpose of this Amendment is to disclose the Company's decision regarding how frequently it will conduct future stockholder advisory votes to approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers ("Say-on-Pay Votes"). No other changes have been made to the Original Form 8-K.

### Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

As previously reported in the Original Form 8-K, in an advisory vote held at the 2022 Annual Meeting on the frequency of future Say-on-Pay Votes, the Company's stockholders expressed their preference for a Say-on-Pay Vote to be conducted every year. On May 4, 2022, the Company's Board of Directors considered the outcome of this advisory vote and determined that future Say-on-Pay Votes will be conducted every year. The Company's Board of Directors will re-evaluate this determination after the next stockholder advisory vote on the frequency of Say-on-Pay Votes (which will be at the 2028 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, unless presented earlier).

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Cerence Inc.

Date: May 10, 2022 By: /s/ Stefan Ortmanns

Name: Stefan Ortmanns Title: Chief Executive Officer