FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Marcucci Mark A						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [ NX ]									Check	all app	licable)		Olssuer Owner er (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2006									X	belov		w) ` _		
(Street) HOUSTO	ON TY		77027 Zip)	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	eficia	ally (	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution		Date,			ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Secu		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect	
										v	Amount		A) or O)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(11041.4)
Common Stock 09/0					/2006 09/0		09/05/	2006	<b>J</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		10.06	1	A \$34		4.29 21,436.43		D		
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)	tive Conversion Date Execution Date or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date, Transactio					6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)					9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
						Code V		(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or	nber					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares acquired through Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

John J. Mannion, Power of Attorney

09/05/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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Quanex Corporation

Power of Attorney

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Thomas M. Walker, Brent Korb and John J. Mannion his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to complete and sign all Form 4s and Form 5s relating to equity securities of Quanex Corporation and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto or documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange and Quanex Corporation, granting to said attorney-in-fact and agent, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Executed this 29th day of August 2006

/s/ Mark A. Marcucci

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