FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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JANZEN HOWARD E	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea 01/20/2006	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONUS NETWORKS INC [SONS]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SONUS NETWORKS INC. 250 APOLLO DRIVE			Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owne Other (spec	r (Moi	nth/Day/Year)	ate of Original Filed /Group Filing (Check			
(Street) CHELMSFORD MA 01824 (City) (State) (Zip)			below)	below)		icable Line) Form filed by	y One Reporting Person y More than One			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Graph of Securities 3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect ((Instr. 5)		t (D) (Instr	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	cise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
	Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock (option to buy)	01/20/2007 ⁽¹⁾	01/20/2016	6 Common Stock	50,000	4.77	D				

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option will vest as to 25% of the shares on 01/20/2007. The remaining shares will vest in equal monthly installments over the following thirty-six months.

/s/ Charles J. Gray as Attorneyin-fact for Howard E. Janzen

** 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 5 (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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Section 16 Power of Attorney

Know by all these presents, that the person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Charles J. Gray, Vice President and General Counsel of Sonus Networks, Inc. (the "Company") with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1. Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and rules there under;
- Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 3. Take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interests of, or legally required by the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's reasonable discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to the attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intends and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that neither the attorney-in-fact nor the Company are assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company or until such attorney-in-fact is no longer employed by Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be signed this 22nd day of January, 2006.

By: /s/ Howard E. Janzen

Name: Howard E. Janzen

Title: Director