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Dear Lou,

I thank you for your last letter and congratulations on your operation. Also thank you for the information about penile surgery. A friend of mine in B.C. had this particular operation done (like the one you described to me) by a team in Portland, Oregon (headed by Dr. Charles B. Payley) a few years ago but he too is hoping for something better / further in the future. The two most promising operations that I can see (if not at the immediate present, at least in about 5 years or so) are the ^{respective} ones by: Dr. Edgerton in Charlottesville ^{Milton} Virginia at the U. of Virginia gender clinic (cost: approx. \$4,000 - \$6,000) * 3-stage operation there, and also, the one by: Dr. Charles Reynolds, Jr. in Oklahoma City at the Urology Center there (cost: \$6,000 - \$12,000 approx.) →

- with a ^{sensitive} glans/head (^{erotic} sensitive) + re-routed urethral canal through the prostatic tube + semi-erectile powers. Dr. Reynolds did this operation at Stanford University in front of medical doctors and students in 1979 and also, wrote & delivered a paper on it (I don't know if it is published yet nor in what ^{medical} journal) - perhaps Judge Patton would know. I hope to undergo this surgery (by Dr. Reynolds) sometime in the indefinite future (once I've saved up the necessary money, and it's ^{medically} sound enough for me). Meanwhile I'm still awaiting Dr. Paul Walker + company's penile prosthesis - do you have any recent info on this from Paul? I'm ^{am} resigning as Editor of Gender Review because I find it too much of a commitment at this time. Take care + please write again. Richard