

RICHARD GALLEN
PRESIDENT

Dear Harold

May 18, 1979

Thanks for your note. I was delighted to learn that your health problems are under control. You always were a tough old buzzard. I sent a copy of your letter to Dr. Segal. I thought it would please him.

We are all well. Tom is finishing his first year at Princeton. David a junior in high school. Jill is helping me with my publishing business. I spend little time practicing law - more time developing publishing projects for distribution in the mass market by companies like Dell, Pocket Book etc.

Keep up the good work. You remain the most careful researcher I have ever met and the most moderate of revolutionaries.

All my best,

Dick

Dear Dick,

5/25/79

When your welcome letter came several days ago I was in the throes of an FOIA affidavit of some length. My wife was retyping the first part of the draft while I was writing and reading the last part. I'm catching up while she finishes up.

I don't remember when I wrote you but I braggged a bit prematurely. Five weeks ago I passed blood, was taken off the anticoagulant for consultations and tests and the last of the tests caused more damage but not in itself of any great consequence. A phlebitis in the right arm. I was well aware of the risk and my doctor got a second opinion. It was necessary to eliminate the kidneys as the cause of the bleeding.

Now I'm back on the anti-coagulant, which has come to be the blanket for this Linus because I have always felt better with it - and am still alive if not from it after it.

I'm much indebted to your thoughtfulness and Dr. Segal's wisdom so while I don't recall what I wrote if it is something you think he would like to see I'm glad you sent him a copy. He's a fine person and an excellent physician.

Most of the day I'm still what you call a tough old buzzard. Most days, anyway.

What you do not say but I believe you mean is that you made the career decision you believe will yield most happiness. I hope so - and that it is.

That it lets Jill participate is a fat bonus.

It must be quite challenging to come up with projects the giants can create for themselves.

Even with the lack of respect I have for them.

Because you also have to convince them.

And be able to keep them honest.

That IS a challenge.

Glad the boys are well started. My best to all,

sincerely,