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Lewis G. Sullivan Page Street San Francisco, CA 94117

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for your letter of March 16, 1986 concerning female to male genital surgery. Freeing the clitoris is part of female to male genitoplasty and is used in standard techniques for penis reconstruction. When used alone however, the clitoris tends to be inadequate as a penile substitute. Each patient must be individualized as to their best alternatives in reconstructive surgery. This can only be determined by formal consultation. Arrangements for consultation with the Gender Identity Team with the University of Virginia Medial Center, can be made through Dr. Ina Langman's office.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Kenney, M.D. hn G. Associate Professor

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