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Dear Earl:

I hear via the grapevine that you are hospital ensconced wearing a black robe in lieu of the typical gown. That's the ultimate power of the federal bench.

We have known each other for too many years to care to remember. As an example my mind goes back to yesteryear when you were a young deputy D.A., known affectionately as "catfish" and to the memorable day when in trial, you marked and moved an exhibit only to split your trousers in front of the jury requiring a sudden recess - one which I'm not sure a "federal" judge would necessarily grant.

I hope this reminder brings a grin to your countenance as it does mine and very temporarily provides a mind set different from your medical woes. With best personal regards and a fervent wish for another of your patented recoveries —

Bill