

St. John's Hospital
of Cleveland, Ohio

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Karel B. Absolon, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Absolon:

Thank you kindly for your letter of September 14. It was of considerable help in determining whether what we were seeking and at the same time had to offer was suitable to your abilities and interests. The recent unexpected availability of a physician long known to this staff led to his selection in preference to other qualified candidates.

On reviewing your latest letter, I do not feel that you would have found the position at this hospital suitable for several reasons. There is no cardiovascular or cine' angiography currently done here, because of the too numerous centers in this city doing such work. It is highly improbable that the staff and administration would support its development. Further, the opportunity for significant research in the face of the current teaching and administrative load, in my experience, would be very meager. In all candor, this is the reason why I am leaving this position for another one which will provide me with better opportunities for research and teaching in my field of Gastroenterology.

It may be presumptuous to make this comment but having had some experience as a Director of Medical Education your letter gives me misgivings as to whether you would find satisfaction in such a position. I think perhaps full time hospital work in a more academic atmosphere may well be your niche and I am hopeful that you will locate a position appropriate to your abilities.

Sincerely,

R. Thomas Holzbach M.D.

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