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QUALIFICATIONS

General orthopedic surgeon with special interest in adult lower limb reconstruction/arthroplasty and traumatology. Experienced but still looking ahead at a productive career. Fluent in French and English. Seeking an opportunity to re-locate back East.

EDUCATION

1989-1994
Medical school, MD

1994-1999
University of Montreal Teaching Hospitals
Orthopedic surgery residency program

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1999-2008
Orthopedic surgeon, St-Jerome Regional Hospital

2008-present
Orthopedic surgeon

LICENSURE

Province of British Columbia, Canada #28413
State of New Hampshire #13593

Sir, Madam,

Thank you for your consideration. Here is my CV and a little bit about myself.

I am originally from Coaticook, QC, which is located about 6 miles north of the border between Vermont, New Hampshire and Quebec. Coming from a family with members living on both sides of the border, I am quite familiar with Northern Vermont and New Hampshire. It was also my playground, growing up as a kid and teen, being an avid mountain biker and skier.

I did all my medical school and surgical training at the University of Montreal. As soon as I completed my training, there was a job waiting for me in St-Jerome, a regional hospital located in the beautiful area of the Laurentians, north of Montreal, which you are possibly familiar with. This was a great work experience, working with 6 other surgeons, with excellent exposure to traumatology as the region is well known for its lakes in the summer and ski hills in the winter. I always kept my practice quite general, as I like doing different things: shoulder, foot and ankle, but no spine and hand cases as these were managed by neurosurgery and plastics respectively. But I rapidly developed an interest in lower limb reconstruction and arthroplasty (both primary and revision) and traumatology. As the public health system of Quebec was getting more and more difficult to work within, I've started looking at job opportunities in Northern New England.

I was very fortunate to find a position in New Hampshire where I rapidly felt I would fit in just perfectly. The contract was signed and I was in the process of closing my practice in Quebec but the immigration process took quite a while, to the point that the facility could not wait any longer as they were in a dire need of a surgeon. Unfortunately, they cancelled our agreement. But I have kept valid my New Hampshire license up to this day.

As I was already in the process of leaving Quebec, my practice nearly completely closed and my house sold, I had to turn around quickly and find something else, especially since I was already the father of two adorable little girls. Fortunately, through friends and contacts, I was offered a position in Kamloops, British Columbia. I came to BC's interior for a locum, fell in love with the people and the place (again, great outdoors with lakes and mountains!) and made the move shortly thereafter.

Both my professional and personal life has been great here. I work in one of the only two tertiary/level 1 centers outside of the Vancouver metropolitan area. Being in a trauma center, within group of 8 orthopods who all have subspecialties, I have gain a lot experience and technical skills. Again, I still pretty much do everything (except hand and spine) but 70% of my practice is trauma and lower limb reconstruction, doing about 250 joints/year.

I don't have much to complain about my practice here but my wife and kids will be moving back to Montreal in the short term and this is the main reason why I'm looking at re-locating back East too. I'm 46 years old, 16 years working as an orthopedic surgeon, I believe I have achieved a respectable level of clinical and technical skill. I'm absolutely not looking at retirement soon and every time I have started something new, though it can be difficult and demanding, it also has been a great positive challenge and a tremendous source of satisfaction.

I am sure I can be a great asset to any facility. Having worked in fairly large centers gave me adequate exposure to all sort of pathologies. Traumatology and lower limb reconstruction have been an important part of my practice up to this point, but being a general orthopedic surgeon, I have the flexibility to steer my practice toward other fields, according to the needs of the population and the

facility that I would work for. I have also always worked as a team member, I appreciate the collegiality and never had any issue getting along with other surgeons, physicians, staff and administration.

I have a busy practice here in Kamloops and a long wait list (eh, this is Canada!), so I'm not necessarily in a rush to find a new position. I wouldn't want to leave my patients or my colleagues in a difficult situation. But I'm also serious in this process and looking forward at a reasonable and well delineated time frame.

Finally, I would like to thank you again for your consideration. I would also like to mention that I am very often back East for meetings or visiting friends and family, so a visit to a Northern Vermont or New Hampshire facility would be fairly easy, a simple detour for me. Meeting in person is often a great way to see if there is common interests and views in these situations.

Regards and Cheers!

Jean Langevin

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