

My decision to have my penis surgically integrated with my handgun was a decision that, at the time, I understood to be eccentric. That was why I felt that the process was worth documenting, and so I created this website. I trusted then, and I know now, that many men have had thoughts about doing something similar, but few have had an accessible forum in which to discuss what actually happens when one takes the hardware of a gun and places it inside the body. Even today, I know this remains a dream that is beyond the financial reach, but also the barriers of squeamishness, of some of the people who would like to do it. Therefore, I feel I owe it to them to live my life as publicly as possible, not only to show them that it is possible, but also that it's a starting point, the first day of the rest of your life, rather than a mere end in itself. Your weaponized body should give you confidence. It should open doors to new challenges instead of closing them! I believed that then, and I believe it more strongly than ever as I write to you today.

I was touched by the support I received from so many visitors - and I have to say, I wasn't surprised at all at the levels of hate I received from the liberals out there. I rarely quote the *New York Times*, but in the words of their columnist, the esteemed Mr. Thomas Friedman, I continue to invite them, most sincerely and literally to 'suck on that!'. Many people I spoke to asked if I could put them in touch with my doctor, who, at the time, was not wild about the idea of having his name bandied around as the person who did the deed. I can understand why. Even in Texas, there are some people who are very good at judging, but less good at understanding. But now, well, Dr. Lukovich is a household name, and with good reason. I listen to his radio show every afternoon driving back from work, and I take his dietary supplements too (for the record, I've never felt more vital or energized)! I consider him one of the great minds of our times, and if there's one thing the good doctor understands better than almost anyone I've known it's that when you make a change, it's not a one time thing. Every day is a new chapter, a process of discovery, and it was through that process, mine and others, that my site became something more like a community, a support group, a social hub, and a resource center for those who took the plunge. Those first days can be tough, take it from me. I mean, there are all kinds of things that go through your mind, both in public and in private. For example, the first time you pull that trigger when you're in a public restroom, you can't help but feel self conscious, but now it's second nature and, for the record, it's actually much cleaner than the old-fashioned way. But I digress. My point is that knowing someone else is going through a similar situation can really help, and I'm glad this site has provided a sounding board for those who, like me, have integrated their genitals with weapons, and people who have used other parts of their bodies to exercise their God-given Second Amendment rights in the most personal way possible.

So it's with something of a heavy heart that today I announce I'll be stepping down as the chair of the PENRA (Personally Engrafted National Rifle Affiliation). This organization started with just me, Jerry, Ronnie, and Dave, the fab four as we called ourselves, but we've grown to be one of the most powerful civil rights organizations in Texas. It's thanks to our activists that Texans who have had their weapons concealed within their physiology can now travel on internal flights within the state (we're still working on national and international flights. We'll get there though!). And there are numerous other fronts we'll be fighting on. Fighting for us, for you, and for all Americans.

I'll be turning over the daily affairs of www.pendra.usa to my more-than-able deputy, the redoubtable Mr. Lester McCorckle, in order to pursue a new opportunity. It is with the greatest humbleness and pride that I would like to conclude this message to all of my friends and supporters (and my adversaries) by announcing that I will be running as an independent in this fall's Texas gubernatorial race. I hope to take the message of the PENRA to the governor's mansion, and to the nation as a whole. I hope you'll stand with me in supporting common sense gun-integration solutions for all Americans who seek them. I want to be the governor of a diverse, inclusive, self-reliant, and, most importantly, well protected state that values individual choice and defends its rights proudly and firmly. Won't you join me in my quest? I hope to see you on the campaign trail! Good luck. God bless you. God bless the great state of Texas, and God bless America.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Wade Gorman, founder and president (emeritus) of the PENRA of America