

I Saw Dr. Geller Too

Even though I don't "do" message boards, I went ahead and registered to try to give some validity to the fact that I am indeed a bona fide floaters victim who was treated by Dr. Geller.

I just turned 60 years old, and have had various floaters all my life, and had no trouble "living with them" until 8 years ago when a large floater suddenly appeared in the center of my vision in my left (and dominant) eye. My optometrist gave me the same old song and dance about the brain learning to "tune it out". Of course that didn't happen, but my right eye was able to compensate, and I could function well enough to get along.

Then 2 years later, my right eye developed a similar floater, not as bad, but still right in the center of my vision. Now I was handicapped! I pressured my optometrist for relief. He consulted with "experts" and gave me the same news that we all have read about on this message board.

God bless the Internet. I found this and other websites, and even though I had learned about Dr's. G. & K. several years ago, I was very unsure because of the very negative responses I received from several members of the ocular medical community and even recently on this very message board.

Eight years after my first big floater appeared, I had reached the point that I could not work effectively, and I suspect that my frustration was starting to create some depression. I had an upcoming business meeting in Orlando, so I called Dr. Geller's office for some references from previous patients. They did supply them, and after several encouraging phone calls, I made the appointment.

We rented a car and drove to Fort Meyers for the procedure. There are several very good descriptions of the procedure already posted in these message boards so I don't need to duplicate those.

I must admit that I had a less than positive pre-conception of Dr. Geller before I arrived, and I am delighted that I have come away with a very high opinion of him, both as a professional and as a person.

Because of my uncertainty, I only wanted one eye treated, and we agreed that it would be my left (and worst) eye. He then set up an appointment for the following Monday to check the eye, do some follow up work if necessary, and treat the right eye if so desired.

Back in Orlando 2 days later, another floater (albeit smaller) had come back into my central vision, so I was looking forward to the return trip to Fort Meyers.

When I returned to Fort Meyers, Dr. Geller did some more work on my left eye, and then with my decision, we also did my right eye.

That was in the 2nd week of January 2004. Of course, I had to return back home to Montana, so I have no opportunity for any more follow ups.

It is now close to 30 days later. My left eye did develop another "hazy" floater that floats across my vision frequently, but it is certainly not the handicap that I had been struggling against. It is unfortunate that I was not able to stay in Florida longer, for I would be quite comfortable with more follow-up work by Dr. Geller to hopefully get the last of this very difficult eye that I seem to have.

As far as the right eye is concerned, I am absolutely delighted. I still have some little spots and squiggles in both eyes, but Hey!, I've always had THEM. The bottom line is: I CAN SEE AGAIN!!! I can read again. I can work again.

I don't know enough about these phenomena to be able to recommend this for everyone, but for my type of floater and for my condition, I have been helped, and I am sorry that I waited so long to do it, and I hope to get to see Dr. Geller again to do a bit more on this left eye.