

August 12, 2015

Jim Goulooze, Attorney 37 W. State St. Hastings, MI 49058

Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Brad Witvoet

Dear Mr. Goulooze:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Mr. Witvoet in reference to a 2010 DUI conviction in Barry County and his present attempts to restore driving privileges in Michigan. This assessment included the administration of:

- A Michigan Alcohol Screening Test (MAST)
- An Alcohol Use Disorder Identification Test (AUDIT)
- A General anxiety/depression screening
- Full clinical interview

The following items provide a summary of the screening results, my diagnostic opinion and professional recommendations:

MAST: score = 2 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; no direct or indirect indication of problem alcohol use (screening appeared valid)

AUDIT: score = 4 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; scores of 8 or more indicate hazardous use, of 13 or more (women), 15 or more (men) indicates moderate to severe disorder present (respondent appeared to provide forthright responses to questions)

DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns: denies subtle indicators of problem alcohol use including pattern of mild hangovers, mild memory loss after use, repeat use to relieve emotional or work stress, previous treatment, conflict with significant others during or shortly after use of alcohol, guilt or regret associated with use

Anxiety/Depression Screening: no clinically significant concerns reported

Substance Related Legal History Reported: single alcohol related arrest in his lifetime (July 2010 DUI in Barry County, Michigan)

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Witvoet's written screenings provided no indication of an alcohol use disorder at any level (mild, moderate or severe). He reported his normal use of alcohol as 2-3 drinks on 1-2 occasions per week. He also acknowledged use of 2-4 drinks on special occasions (weddings, birthdays, etc.), or on about 10 or less occasions per year. Mr. Witvoet and I discussed his DUI incident and general use of alcohol at length.

Mr. Witvoet's demeanor was non-defensive and his reporting was without hesitation, contradiction or other non-verbal signs of under-reported use. In my best clinical judgment I was unable to find his 2010 DUI or his overall history and presentation indicative of someone experiencing recent or present DSM 5 alcohol use disorder symptoms. Although he has a personal policy of zero-tolerance towards future drinking and driving I am preventatively recommending that he attend a MADD Victim Impact panel since that was not accomplished after the original conviction. Mr. Witvoet understood my recommendation and expressed a readiness and intent to comply with it.

DSM 5 DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances: V71.09 (none found)

Treatment Recommendations:

- 1) Attend a local MADD Victim Impact Panel;
- 2) If another negative consequence is incurred as a result of any alcohol use it is recommended Mr. Witvoet seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

Thank you for the opportunity to assist the court, Mr. Witvoet, and yourself in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Brian T. Davis, LISW-S, SAP

cc: Brad Witvoet

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Diagnostic Conclusions / Limitations: Directions Counseling Group provides Clinical Alcohol Assessments based on objective and standardized screenings and interviewing methods as well as self-reported information. Clinical conclusions are made to the best of the professional's ability with data on hand at the time of the assessment. Expanded assessments which involve additional background research, collateral information and third party verification can be provided as an additional service upon request.

