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Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Andrew Juenger (DOB – 09/25/1984)

Mr. Niehaus.

I performed a Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Mr. Juenger in reference to his OVI charge in Hamilton County. In addition to our 45-minute clinical interview conducted via telephone, this assessment included the administration of:

- A MAST (Michigan Alcohol Screening Test)
- An (Alcohol Use Disorder Identification Test)
- A general anxiety/depression screening

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

**MAST:** score = 0 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; no direct or indirect indication of problem alcohol use (scores are relative to lifetime use)

**AUDIT:** score = 1 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; scores of 8 or more indicate hazardous use, whereas scores of 15 or more in men indicate a moderate to severe alcohol use disorder may be present (scores are relative to drinking habits in the last 12 months)

## **Alcohol Substance Use Risk Factors:**

Concerns/Risk

- legal history N/A
- other substance use N/A
- contraindicated prescription use N/A
- prior treatment history N/A
- family history N/A
- peer influences N/A
- at-risk work environment N/A
- physical health issues N/A
- anxiety/depression N/A
- other mental health concerns N/A
- current work and/or relationship stress N/A

Summary: 0 of 11 concerns: low risk profile

**DSM-5/Other Substance Related Concerns:** denies subtle indicators of problem alcohol use including pattern of mild hangovers, mild memory loss after use, recurrent or repetitive 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

**Substance-Related Legal History Reported:** denies any previous history of alcohol or substance related arrests and/or legal charges; refused breathalyzer at the time of arrest without being given opportunity for a field sobriety test

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Juenger'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 a glass of 1-2 glasses of wine on 0-2 occasions per month (weekends only). He also asserted that in times of special occasion or during a celebratory event (work events, holidays, birthdays) his drinking habits did not deviate from his regular drinking habits. These occasions come approximately 3-4 times a year.

Mr. Juenger and I discussed his OVI incident and general use of alcohol at length. In my best clinical judgment, I was unable to find the incident or his overall history and presentation indicative of someone experiencing DSM-5 alcohol use disorder symptoms. Furthermore, he was articulate of his reasons for not drinking in excess and represented himself as a high achieving individual in spite of this legal matter. Though the drinking habits he described are very low risk and I have little concern about further problem use, I am recommending a preventative measure to help minimize any further chance for misuse of alcohol. This recommendation is to be contingent upon the completion of a Driver Intervention Program that may or may not be required by the court.

**DSM-5 DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances**: Z03.89 (suspected substance use condition not found)

## **Treatment Recommendations:**

- 1) Attend a local MADD Victim Impact Panel (if not court-mandated to do DIP);
- 2) If another negative consequence is incurred as a result of any alcohol use it is recommended Mr. Juenger seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

If you possess any additional information about Mr. Juenger's use of alcohol that may impact the outcome of this assessment, I would be happy to review it and consider appropriate modifications or amendments to the present report.

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



Sincerely,

Trevor C. Davis, CDCA

Cert.# 150427

Reviewed by Brian T. Davis, LISW-S, SAP LIC# I-7948

cc: Andrew Juenger

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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.

