

October 13, 2016

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Guilford County Courthouse, District 18 201 South Eugene St Greensboro, NC 27401

Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Gerard Izquierdo (DOB – 06/01/1964)

Ms. Goldsborough:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol and Drug Assessment for Mr. Izquierdo in reference to his December 2015 DWI charge in Guilford County. This assessment included a 60-minute clinical interview by telephone, and the administration of:

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

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

MAST: score = 3 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; some indirect indication of a present alcohol use disorder (screen relative to lifetime use of alcohol)

AUDIT: score = 4 / NEGATIVE SCREEN; scores of 8 or more indicate potential hazardous use, whereas scores of 15 or more in men indicate a moderate to severe disorder may be present (screen predominantly relative to current use of alcohol)

Alcohol Use Risk Factors:

☐ negative peer influence/at-risk work environment – NA
☐ current stress (relational, work, financial, etc.) – NA
☐ physical health concerns – NA
□ anxiety/depression/mental health – NA
□ exposure to trauma – NA
☐ family history of substance abuse or alcoholism – 1 blood-relative identified
□ contraindicated prescription use – NA
□ other substance use – NA
☐ regular use of liquor – less than monthly use
□ voluntary treatment history – NA

\boxtimes	Severity of incident − fell asleep, no au	uto accident	(reports breatha	alyzer was
	inconclusive)			

Summary - 2 of 12 concerns, mitigate concern with clinical recommendations

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Izquierdo'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 before this charge as 2-3 beers on 2-3 occasions per week. He also acknowledged use of 4-6 beers on approximately 2 special occasions or celebrations in the average year.

Mr. Izquierdo and I discussed his DWI and general use of alcohol at length. I did not find him meeting DSM-5 alcohol use disorder criteria for diagnosis and his drinking habits seem to be within NIAAA recommendations for men's low-risk drinking. I did note the risks and concerns associated with his specific situation. Accordingly, I am including his preventative recommendation in the remainder of this report.

DSM-5 Alcohol Use Disorder Symptoms:

☐ Use beyond intention
☐ Persistent desire or unsuccessful efforts to reduce/quit use
☐ Substantial time spent obtaining, using, or recovering from use
☐ Strong craving/desire
☐ Failure to fulfill a major role (work, home, school)
☐ Use despite recurrent social/interpersonal problems
☐ Important social, occupational, recreational activities relinquished
☐ Physically hazardous use
☐ Continued use despite knowledge of contraindicated physical or psychological condition
☐ Tolerance
☐ Withdrawal symptoms

Summary - 0 of 11 symptoms (Mild 2-3 | Moderate 4-5 | Severe 6+)

DSM-5 DIAGNOSIS in Reference to Substances: Z03.89 (suspected substance use condition not found)

Treatment Recommendations:

1) Complete State-Required Outpatient Therapy – 20 hours of outpatient therapy (group or individual) with a professional substance abuse counselor; follow-up provider to update recommendations if necessary. Treatment must be initiated within 6 months of today's day per state guidelines. Provide documentation of completion to the court.



If you or the court possess additional information about Mr. Izquierdo's use of alcohol that might 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. Izquierdo, and yourself in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Trevor C. Davis, CDCA Certificate # 150427 cc: Gerard Izquierdo

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Diagnostic Conclusions / **Limitations**: Directions Counseling Group provides Clinical Alcohol and Drug 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.

