

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Ben Whitaker, Attorney at Law  
3808 James Court  
Suite 2  
Zanesville, OH 43701

**Re: Substance Abuse Evaluation for Lacey Carrel**

Dear Mr. Whitaker:

I performed a basic substance abuse assessment for Ms. Carrel in reference to her May 2014 drug possession charge. This assessment included the administration of: a DAST, a MAST, an AUDIT, and a clinical interview. The following are my findings and recommendations:

**Substance(s) of Concern:** alcohol, marijuana

**DAST:** score=1; does not indicate any past year substance use

**MAST:** score=0; no apparent indications of problem drinking; lifetime frame of reference

**AUDIT:** score=1; scores of "8" or more indicate hazardous alcohol use; past year frame of reference

**DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns:** no other concerns noted or reported

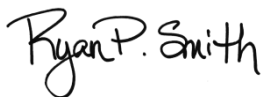
**Depression Screening:** no clinically significant concerns reported

**Clinical Interview/Summary:** Ms. Carrel's written screenings provided no indications of an alcohol or other substance use disorder. She reported her normal use of alcohol over the past two years as 1-2 standard drinks on 1-2 occasions per month. She acknowledged her use of alcohol will increase to 3 standard drinks on special celebrations, holidays, and large social events. She denied any use or experimentation with marijuana and her drug test did not reveal any contradictory evidence. Her clinical interview did not reveal any signs or symptoms of preoccupation with alcohol use, use despite negative consequences, cravings/compulsions to consume alcohol or an alcohol withdrawal syndrome. At present Ms. Carrel does not meet DSM 5 criteria for a substance use disorder and does not appear to require any form of substance use treatment.

**DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances:** v71.09 None/Nil

**Recommendations:** 1) There are no clinical recommendations at this time.

Sincerely,



Ryan P. Smith, MSW, LISW-S, LCDC-III, SAP

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