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Re: Clinical Alcohol and Drug Assessment for Hanna Miller

Dear Mr. Miller:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol and Drug Assessment for Ms. Miller in reference to her October 2015 possession of a controlled substance and possession of paraphernalia charges. This assessment included the administration of:

- An Adolescent Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory (SASSI-A2)
- A Michigan Alcohol Screening Test (MAST)
- An Alcohol Use Disorder Identification Test (AUDIT)
- A Drug Use Disorder Identification Test (DUDIT)
- A general anxiety/depression screening
- 50 minute in-person clinical interview

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

SASSI-A2: scores indicated an overall *low probability* of a moderate to severe substance use disorder diagnosis; scores did suggest further evaluation to rule out a possible mild substance use disorder; screening had a lifetime frame of reference

MAST: score = 0 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; no direct or indirect indication of problem alcohol use; screening had a lifetime frame of reference (screening appeared valid)

AUDIT: score = 0 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; scores of 8 or more indicate hazardous use, scores of 13 or more indicates moderate to severe disorder present; screening had a past 12 months frame of reference

DUDIT: score = 3 / NEGATIVE SCREEN; scores of 6 or more indicate problematic use ("mild-moderate"), scores of 25 or more indicate likelihood of a severe disorder present; screening had a past 12 months frame of reference

DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns: denies subtle indicators of problem substance use including pattern of mild hangovers, mild memory loss after alcohol use, recurrent use to relieve emotional distress or uncomfortable psychological experiences, previous substance use related treatment, or a family history of substance abuse

Present Use Status: presently abstaining from alcohol and cannabis use

Anxiety/Depression Screening: screenings did not indicate any clinically significant concerns

Substance Related Legal History Reported: denies any previous history of alcohol or substance related arrests/legal charges

Clinical Interview/Summary:

ALCOHOL - Ms. Miller's written screenings provided no indication of a moderate or severe alcohol use disorder. She reported first experimenting with alcohol in May 2015 and reported drinking 1-2 standard beers on a total of 4 occasions since that time.

Ms. Miller reported that she has abstained from all alcohol use since her charge and has done so without difficulty or concern. She stated that she has no desire to resume drinking at this time though she intends to drink when she is of legal age. Ms. Miller and I discussed World Health Organization's guidelines for low risk problem alcohol use. In my best clinical judgment I do not find sufficient evidence that Ms. Miller meets DSM-5 criteria for an alcohol use disorder at this time.

ILLICIT DRUG – Ms. Miller acknowledged an initial experimentation with marijuana beginning the end of June 2015. She stated she smoked marijuana an addition 3 times since her initial use, always when with others peers who smoked. She denied ever purchasing marijuana and denied ever smoking in solitary situations. She is presently abstaining from all marijuana use and stated she has no intention to resume marijuana use.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG – Ms. Miller reported that she presently is prescribed medication for ADHD and anxiety. She stated that she takes her anti-anxiety medication daily and takes Adderall on an as needed basis due to the medication's tendency to cause side effects which limit her food intake. She denied any recreational use of prescription medications which are prone to abuse including her stimulant/ADD medications, narcotic painkiller medications, anxiolytics and sleeping medications.

DSM 5 DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances: z.03.89 suspected substance use condition not found

Treatment Recommendations:

- 1) There are no clinical recommendations at this time.
- 2) <u>If any negative consequence</u> is incurred as a result of any alcohol or other substance use within the next year, it is recommended Ms. Miller seek further evaluation and follow all updated treatment recommendations.



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

Sincerely, Ryan P. Snith

Ryan Smith, LISW-S, LICDC, SAP

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cc: Hanna Miller; Dawn Miller

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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.

