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Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Sean R. Cassidy (DOB - 08/27/1976)

Dear Mr. Nesbitt:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Mr. Cassidy in reference to his reckless driving charge in Franklin County (6/3/2016). This assessment included a clinical interview, and the administration of:

- A Michigan Alcohol Screening Test (MAST)
- An Alcohol Use Disorders 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 = 1 / NEGATIVE SCREEN; no direct indication of problem alcohol use

AUDIT: score = 0 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; scores of 8 or more indicate *hazardous use*, scores of 15 or more in men indicate *moderate to severe* disorder present

Alcohol Use Risk Factors:

Concerns/Risks
□ previous legal history – NA/ denies prior history
\square severity of incident – NA/ OVI charge plead to reckless driving
☐ anxiety/depression/mental health – not found
☐ other substance use – NA
☐ family history – not found
☐ prior treatment history – NA
☐ peer influences— NA
☐ work environment – NA
☐ contraindicated prescription use – NA
☐ general health problems – NA
☐ current family stress – NA
Summary - 0 of 11 concerns

DSM - 5 Alcohol Use Symptoms: Summary - 0 of 11 symptoms found

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Cassidy'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 1-2 drinks on 0-1 occasions per week. He also acknowledged use of 2-4 drinks on about 1 special occasion (weddings, birthdays, etc.) per year.

Mr. Cassidy and I discussed his OVI incident (later plead to reckless driving) and general use of alcohol at length. While I did not find him meeting DSM-5 alcohol use disorder criteria he is voluntarily abstaining from all use of alcohol at this time. I made a preventative recommendation to him in the form of a Victim Impact Panel and Mr. Cassidy was in full agreement with my recommendation.

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

Treatment Recommendations:

- 1) <u>Attend a local MADD Victim Impact Panel</u> visit <u>www.madd.org</u> for local meeting locations and times or in the event in-person attendance is not possible, visit <u>www.onlineimpactpanel.com/</u> or www.<u>sbconlinepanel.com/index.html</u>
- 2) If <u>another negative consequence</u> is incurred as a result of any alcohol use it is recommended Mr. Hewlett seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

If you or the court possess additional information about Mr. Cassidy'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. Cassidy, and yourself in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Brian T. Davis, LISW-S, SAP

LIC# I-7948

cc: Sean R. Cassidy

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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.

