

August 14, 2015

Dustin M. Blake Co., LLC 580 S. High St., Suite 200 Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Philip Albanese

Dear Mr. Blake.:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Mr. Albanese in reference to his domestic violence charge in Franklin County. This assessment included the administration of:

- A Michigan Alcohol Screening Test (MAST)
- An Alcohol Use Disorder Identification Test (AUDIT)
- A General anxiety/depression screening
- A full clinical interview

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

MAST: score = 2 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; no direct or indirect indication of problem alcohol use (screening appeared valid)

AUDIT: score = 3 / NEGATIVE SCREEN; scores of 8 or more indicate hazardous use, of 13 or more (women), 15 or more (men) indicates moderate to severe disorder present (respondent appeared to provide forthright responses to questions)

DSM/Other Substance Related Concerns: denies subtle indicators of problem alcohol use including pattern of mild hangovers, mild memory loss after use, repeat 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

Present Use Status: has not used alcohol since arrest but does not reflect a long term or permanent decision to abstain

Anxiety/Depression Screening: no clinically significant concerns reported

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

Clinical Interview/Summary: Mr. Albanese'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 drinks on 2-3 occasions per week. He

also acknowledged use of 2-4 drinks on special occasions (weddings, birthdays, etc.), or on about 2 occasions per year.

Mr. Albanese and I discussed his domestic incident and general use of alcohol at length. He reported that he has never before had a domestic incident, motor vehicle incident or other significantly negative outcome as a result of his alcohol use. Consequently, and as a result of his interview, I was unable to find the incident sufficient to warrant an alcohol use disorder diagnosis. I did however note that the incident itself is concerning enough to recommend some preventative education to help minimize future risks. Mr. Albanese understood the cautionary concern and expressed a willingness to follow the preventative recommendations provided below.

DSM 5 DIAGNOSIS in reference to substances: V71.09 (none found)

Treatment Recommendations:

- 1) Preventative Alcohol & Drug Education, recommend 8 hrs. of alcohol/drug education including a combination of any of the following resources local class (e.g. Ohio Health's Alcohol Awareness Series at Riverside Hospital 614-566-3700), AA, and/or online alcohol or drug education course (e.g. logancourtclass.com or onlinealcoholclass.com);
- 2) If another negative consequence is incurred as a result of any alcohol use it is recommended Mr. Albanese seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

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

Sincerely.

Brian T. Davis, LISW-S, SAP

cc: Philip Albanese

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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.

