

June 14, 2016

D'Nisha Judson, Probation Officer
375 S. High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Travis Smith (DOB – 10/09/1984)

Dear Ms. Judson:

I performed a Clinical Alcohol Assessment for Mr. Smith in reference to his February 2015 OVI charge in Franklin County. This assessment included a 50-minute in-person clinical interview, and the administration of:

- A Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory (SASSI-3)
- 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:

SASSI-3: overall score indicates a *low probability* of a moderate to severe alcohol use disorder condition; client's DEF score (defensiveness) was elevated beyond the norm which increases the likelihood of a missed moderate to severe alcohol use disorder diagnosis but may also reflect situational factors; screening had a lifetime frame of reference;

MAST: score = 1 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; no direct or indirect indication of problem alcohol use; screening had a lifetime frame of reference;

AUDIT: score = 1 / *NEGATIVE SCREEN*; scores of 8 or more indicate *hazardous use*, scores of 15 or more in men indicates *moderate to severe* disorder present

Alcohol Use Risk Factors:

- family history = N/A
- prior substance-related charges = N/A
- early onset of alcohol use = N/A
- prior substance-related treatment = N/A
- peer influences = N/A
- work environment = N/A
- contraindicated prescription use = N/A
- anxiety or depression symptoms = N/A
- general health problems – None identified
- current family stress = low

Alcohol Use Risk = low

Present Use Status: has been abstaining from alcohol use since charge in February 2016

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:

ALCOHOL - Mr. Smith'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 1-2 occasions per week. He denied consuming alcohol in increased quantities during special events or on celebratory occasions.

Mr. Smith and I discussed his OVI incident, his historical pattern of alcohol use, and his plans for future alcohol use at length. Mr. Smith also shared aspects of what he learned in attending a 72-hour Driver Intervention Program. In reviewing DSM-5 diagnostic criteria, I was unable to find the incident or his overall history and presentation indicative of someone experiencing at present a DSM-5 alcohol use disorder. I also did not find historical evidence that Mr. Smith had previously met DSM-5 criteria for an alcohol use disorder.

I did discuss with him one item of concern (past binge use of alcohol during college), and we reviewed World Health Organization criteria for low risk problem alcohol use. Since Mr. Smith does not meet DSM-5 criteria for an alcohol use disorder, I do not have any recommendations for him at the present time.

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

Treatment Recommendations:

- 1) There are no clinical recommendations at this time;
- 2) If another negative consequence is incurred as a result of any alcohol use it is recommended Mr. Smith seek further evaluation and follow all treatment recommendations.

If the court possesses additional information about Mr. Smith's use of alcohol that might impact the outcome of this assessment, I would be happy to review it and consider any appropriate modifications or amendments to the present report.

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

Sincerely,



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cc: Travis Smith

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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.