



NOVEMBER 22, 2005: PSYCHOLOGY ADMISSION NOTE

DATE OF BIRTH: 3/13/85 (20 years old)

REASON FOR ADMISSION: The patient is a 20-year-old never-married Caucasian male who was readmitted to Oregon State Hospital (OSH) on 11/22/05. He was admitted after his conditional release from the Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB) was revoked. Mr. Giffen was found guilty except for insanity for the crime of Unlawful Use of a Weapon on 3/2/05 and received five years under the jurisdiction of the PSRB. His PSRB jurisdiction expires on 6/18/09.

CURRENT PSYCHOLOGICAL FUNCTIONING: Mr. Giffen was found guilty except for insanity for the crime of Unlawful Use of a Weapon and subsequently placed on conditional release. This occurred on 3/2/05. In a letter written by a representative of the PSRB dated 11/17/05, it was noted that Mr. Giffen was suffering from depression and suicidal ideation for a number of months while in the community. He reportedly had been working with Lane County Mental Health to adjust his medications but had an apparent suicide attempt on 11/16/05. He was at his grandparents' house at the time and took a number of their prescription medications. It was recommended that his conditional release be revoked as a result.

When interviewed, Mr. Giffen reported that he took "a bunch of pills" when at his grandparents' house in the community. He then added, "I just got upset." He reported having been upset for "a day or two." Mr. Giffen stated that he did not want to stay at the group home anymore and his grandfather picked him up. He then reported taking a number of medications while at his grandparents' house, including taking some while his grandmother was watching. He stated, "Grandma didn't care." Mr. Giffen was taken to Sacred Heart Medical Center in Eugene at that time where he stayed until his transfer to OSH. Available collateral information indicated that Mr. Giffen has a history of being abused by a number of different people, including his parents. He was socially quite isolative while growing up, partly due to the abuse, and only received a sixth-grade education. It appears likely that his emotional development was stunted and his relational skills are underdeveloped.

Since his recent admission to OSH, he has expressed having some suicidal ideation, although he has not engaged in any self-harm behaviors. He has been on and off one-to-one precautions, and is currently not on any type of suicide watch. When he met with this writer, he was appropriately dressed but somewhat disheveled. His affect was restricted, although he did smile on occasion. Affect was at times inappropriate to the subject matter being

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discussed. He denied ever experiencing hallucinations and did not report any clearly delusional thought content. Speech was somewhat quiet but otherwise unremarkable. He does appear to have limited insight into his mental health issues. Mr. Giffen's current diagnoses include a major depressive disorder; attachment disorder, severe; and schizotypal personality disorder. He does appear to present with a significant personality disorder that likely includes borderline traits along with the schizotypal features.

GENERAL TREATMENT RECOMMENDATIONS: Mr. Giffen will likely benefit from continued adjustment to his psychotropic medications to reduce symptoms of depression, including suicidal ideation. One-to-one and group therapy is recommended to help him develop insight into his mental health issues and to develop a plan to better manage his symptoms when in the community. He would benefit from groups that focus on development of social skills as well as assertiveness.

SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY PSYCHOLOGIST: A psychology baseline assessment may be useful to determine if Mr. Giffen suffers from any cognitive deficits. He also may benefit from a personality assessment to better define his Axis II traits.

REFERRAL FOR SPECIALIZED SERVICES: Mr. Giffen may benefit from a referral for educational services due to his lack of formal education and current age.

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