

USE OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

**RE: [CLIENT NAME OR MATTER]**

Dear Honorable Judge [NAME]:

My name is [NAME], and I am the [treating physician] at [practice] currently treating [PATIENT NAME], who has a matter before your court. My practice provides medication assisted treatment commonly called "MAT" [and other supportive services] to individuals experiencing substance use disorders.

[Patient] came under my care on [DATE] [provide additional information surrounding desire to seek treatment to the extent you/the patient are comfortable and feel it would be beneficial]. After a [thorough individualized assessment] of my patient's clinical history and presentation, [including (specific reasons why MAT is the best course of treatment),] I prescribed MAT to treat my patient's disease. My patient began this treatment on [DATE] and has been regularly supervised under my care throughout the course of this treatment. Our practice regularly assesses the effectiveness of this treatment for our patients through the use of [regular office visits, urine/blood screening, etc.].

[Optional information about specific medication depending on the situation, e.g. Court already knows about the client undergoing substance use disorder treatment and client is getting pushback from the Court or other involved persons. Consider addressing common myths about MAT.]

[If relevant, optional information about MAT use in pregnancy for treatment of SUD.]

Prescribing MAT represents a clinical determination by a provider, and it is my firm clinical recommendation that my patient, [NAME] [continue with my prescribed treatment plan]. I can be reached at [PHONE OR EMAIL] should you have any questions about treatment plans, the services we provide, or about MAT.

Respectfully,

[CLINICAL SIGNATURE]

[TYPED NAME OF CLINICIAN]

[CONTACT INFORMATION IF NOT IN LETTERHEAD]

Disclaimer: This template does not constitute legal advice and is for informational purposes only.

Please contact an attorney for specific legal advice.