

DEAR READER,

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HEY, I HOPE YOU'RE DOING WELL!

I WAS TELLING YOU ABOUT MY NEW FRIENDS.

AFTER THAT NIGHT I SANK DEEPER AND DEEPER INTO CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. TELLING MYSELF I WAS JUST GOING TO SAVE UP ENOUGH MONEY TO GET SECURED AND THEN I'D GET OUT. THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN SIMPLE ENOUGH, IF I DIDN'T COME TO LIKE THESE INDIVIDUALS AND BECOME FRIENDS WITH THEM.

I BECAME A PART OF THEIR WORLD. OR ONE COULD SAY THEIR WORLD BECAME MINE. BECAUSE OF THE WAY I GROW UP I LEARNED TO FIT IN IN DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES. TAKE ON A SIMILAR PERSONALITY SO I WOULD BE LIKED AND WELCOME IN THAT COMMUNITY. I DID SO AS IF IT WAS NATURAL FOR ME TO DO SO. IN TRUTH, IT WAS. AND FOR THIS NEW CREW I FOUND MYSELF WITH, I WAS GOING TO HONE THIS FEATURE OF MY PERSONALITY AND CLIMB THE RANKS QUICKLY. AND I DID. IT CAME WITH A DOWNFALL THOUGH. THE PEOPLE WHO'D BEEN AROUND LONGER DIDN'T LIKE THAT SO MUCH TRICK HAD BEEN PUT INTO ME BY THE HEAD OF THIS CREW. 2 PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR. ONE OF THEM TESTED ME. AT LEAST LOOKING BACK I THINK IT WAS A TEST. BUT AT THE SAME TIME... IT WAS A MESSED UP SITUATION.

ONE OF THE LADIES WHO I MET THAT FIRST DAY (WE'LL CALL HER AVORY - NOT HER REAL NAME) TOOK ME TO A CLIENT'S HOME. A VERY INFLUENTIAL CLIENT WITH IMMEDIATE \$\$\$



TO A PROMINENT ALL AMERICAN FAMILY. THE  
KIND OF FAMILY THAT'S IN THE HISTORY BOOKS.  
WELL, SO TURNED OUT IT WAS JUST A SOCIAL CALL.  
WE DISCUSSED BUSINESS MATTERS AND MOVED  
ON TO OTHER TOPICS. COCAINE WAS PILED OUT  
AND I DECLINED. IT WAS TEMPTING BUT SO  
FAR I'D REMAINED DRUG FREE. ABOUT 20  
MINUTES GO BY AND I NOTICE THIS GUY IS  
NERVOUS. HE GOES TO THE BATHROOM AND AUDRY  
TELLS ME HE THINKS I'M AN UNDERCOVER DECK  
BECAUSE I REFUSED THE COCAINE. I COULD UNDERSTAND  
THIS. HE DID CHOP A CHUNK OFF A WILD BIRD IN  
FRONT OF ME. BECAUSE HE WAS NERVOUS, CLIENTS AT  
THIS LEVEL ARE PRONE TO BACK OUT AT TIMES LIKE  
THIS... SO YUP, I SMORGED COCAINE WITH THEM.  
SOUPED DECISION. WE PAROLED FOR A BEG AND  
THEN AUDRY GETS SERIOUS. SHE TELLS THE CLIENT  
THAT OUR HEAD IS PLANNING ON ROBBING HIM.  
...! **WHAT!** I COULDN'T BELIEVE WHAT I JUST  
HEARD. SHE IS SMOKING ON OUR BOSS! AND  
ON WHOEVER ELSE IN OUR CREW THAT'S INVOLVED.  
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS BUT SO DON'T  
MATTER. SHE CROSSED A LINE THAT SHOULD BE  
CROSSED. A GUN-LINE. AFTER THE NIGHT ENDED  
WE WENT HOME. I WENT AND TALKED TO THE  
BIG GUY AND LET HIM KNOW ABOUT THE  
BETRAYAL. HE DON'T KNOW ME WELL ENOUGH TO



TAKE MY WORD AS IS IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS.  
 SO HE CONFRONTED HER HEAD ON IN FRONT OF THE  
 WHOLE CREW. SHE DENIED IT. HE CALLED THE CLIENT  
 AND GOT A FEEL ON WHERE HIS MIND WAS AT. AND  
 DETERMINED I WAS TELLING THE TRUTH. HE WENT ON  
 TALKING ABOUT HOW TO HANDLE OUR NEXT MOVES. AUDRY  
 SNAPPED. STARTED CURSING MY TALE OUT. I TOLD HER  
 IT'S SIMPLE. YOU SNAPPED. SO YOU CAN BE CURSED.  
 AND SO ON SHE FLEW ACROSS THE LOBBY ROOM AND  
 SWUNG WILD, I GRABBED HER WRIST. SHE KICKED, I  
 STEPPED ON HER FEET. SHE WAS RESTRAINED. SHE  
 CALMED, AT LEAST I THOUGHT SO, SO I LET HER GO AND  
 SHE CLAWED THE FLESH OFF MY FACE. TWO BLOODY LINES  
 COMING DOWN FROM EACH CORNER OF MY LEFT EYE.  
 I HELD HER AGAIN. EVENTUALLY IT WAS OVER. BOSSMAN  
 DECIDED SHE KNEW TOO MUCH TO KICK HER TO THE  
 CURB. SO HE KEPT HER IN. A MOVE HE WOULD LATER  
 REGRET...

UNUSL NEXT TIME.

YOURS TRULY,

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