

An OVER-WEIGHT POLICE OFFICER enters the room.

POLICE OFFICER
Helen Boos?

HELEN
Yes?

POLICE OFFICER
I have a few questions
about the accident.

HELEN
Sure.

POLICE OFFICER
Can you described what
happened?

HELEN
I was driving and the
next thing I knew my car
was out of control.

POLICE OFFICER
The car was out of
control or you lost
control?

HELEN
It started spinning
donuts, you know about
those, right? You might
consider cutting back on
a few.

POLICE OFFICER
(agitated)
Just need the facts,
Ma'am.

HELEN
Ma'am? What am I? A
hundred and ten? What is
it with you people and
Ma'am?

Helen starts to get out of her bed.

MATT
What are you doing?

HELEN

Going to look for my
dog.

MATT

You have to wait for the
nurse to sign you out.

HELEN

Says who.

POLICE OFFICER

Ma'am. So at
approximately 10:12 AM
you are driving down the
interstate. How fast
were you going?

HELEN

I don't know.

POLICE OFFICER

You don't know?

HELEN

You don't hear me? Lips
moving; sound coming
out.

POLICE OFFICER

And what were you doing
at the time of the
accident?

HELEN

Riding a horse. What the
hell is wrong with you?

Helen continues to get out of the bed. Painful.

POLICE OFFICER

I'm done here.

The Police Officer finishes writing on his tablet
and tares off a sheet. He sets it on Helen's bed.

Helen picks it up. Reads it.

HELEN

Reckless driving? Are
you out of your mind?

POLICE OFFICER

Maybe the donuts went to
my head. Look, I talked

to the witnesses and
there was no one around.

(He looks in
Matt's
direction)

That leaves you
responsible. You have
the right to dispute it
in court.

Helen also looks in Matt's direction. Not happy.

HELEN

Are you going to tell me
I have the right to
remain silent?

POLICE OFFICER

No. I'm not arresting
you.

HELEN

Good. Then I think
you're an ass.

Matt quickly jumps in.

MATT

Thank you officer. I
will take it from here.

POLICE OFFICER

Good luck.

The Police Officer leaves.