

INT. DINER - NIGHT

Alicia and Jacobs sit in a booth. Her face is bruised. The cuts are still fresh. Empty coffee cups are in front of both of them.

A WAITRESS walks over. She refills both cups.

WAITRESS
Anything else?

They say nothing.

WAITRESS (CONT'D)
Right.
(Beat)
Honey, he's not worth it!

She walks away.

Jacobs drinks his coffee.

Alicia tries to. Her hands shake as she grabs the coffee cup.

He touches her hand, guiding the cup down.

ALICIA FORET
I'll talk to my professor in the morning. He was a DA, he'll know what to do!

DARRELL JACOBS
And what's that?

ALICIA FORET
Recommend a good defense attorney. Maybe someone who can argue justifiable homicide as defense.

DARRELL JACOBS
Maybe? What if they can't?

ALICIA FORET
It's the best I got!

Neither of them say anything.

ALICIA FORET (CONT'D)
Just give me a minute!

DARRELL JACOBS
Sun's coming up in a couple of
hours. If they haven't been found
by now, they will be!

ALICIA FORET
So what do we do?!

DARRELL JACOBS
What do you think? We keep quiet!

ALICIA FORET
Are you crazy?! We can't keep
quiet!

DARRELL JACOBS
Why not, people do it all the time.

ALICIA FORET
No, they don't!

DARRELL JACOBS
Some do!

ALICIA FORET
Oh yeah, how do you expect we do
that Einstein?! Even if we could,
you heard of 'evidence?'

(Beat)

A forensics expert is going to
process the scene, and you know
he'll find, our DNA on everything!
Now you do the math, and it's only
a matter of time before it's
matched to us! Doesn't have to be
tomorrow. A year, five years from
now, our blood is taken and is
processed...

DARRELL JACOBS
(Interrupting)
Why would that happen?

ALICIA FORET
A DUI, who knows. But it's
processed, and now it's in the
system for anyone to match against
an unsolved crime! So now, any
defense we might have had is gone!

He thinks for a moment.

DARRELL JACOBS
 Makes me wonder... I should have
 met you years ago!

ALICIA FORET
 What?!

He continues to think.

DARRELL JACOBS
 You tell it a lot straighter than
 any lawyer I've had.

ALICIA FORET
 Well maybe, when I am one, I can
 represent you! How about that?!

DARRELL JACOBS
 Yeah...
 (Beat, he continues to
 think)
 Ok, counselor... suppose I tell you
 those bodies are gone!

She says nothing. She realizes in that moment, she has no
 idea who he is.

She eyes the exit and thinks to leave.

DARRELL JACOBS (CONT'D)
 Counselor.

She turns back to Jacobs.

ALICIA FORET
 I uhm... I need to go!

DARRELL JACOBS
 Where would you go? To the cops?
 You're not gonna' go to the cops!

She swallows the lump in her throat.

ALICIA FORET
 I...

DARRELL JACOBS
 It's a good thing I am who I am and
 did what I did, otherwise you'd
 never made it back to 1302
 University Ave. Never would have
 seen have seen Tom!
 (Beat)
 (MORE)

DARRELL JACOBS (CONT'D)

So lemme' me ask you somethin',
what's believable? That you
followed me, then I followed you!
No Jury's gonna' buy that. Or is
it believable, those two got what
they deserved? The way I see it,
it was either them or you! You
think they gave it a second
thought?! Animals like that only
understand force! Nothin' will
change that! You gotta' make an
example out of them. You gotta'
put them down, like the animals
they are and only then, will they
understand there are consequences!

ALICIA FORET

I... I can't.

DARRELL JACOBS

You can! You did it when you hung
up the phone. Now you're lookin'
for a reason you did the right
thing!