

Chapter 54 Vindicated

On the seventh day that Katherine had been in the cell, some officers walked towards her cell and unlocked the gate of her cell. Kathrine was surprised and scared at suddenly happened. She was taken out quietly and was surprised to meet some officers from Eastern Ocean City. These were her bosses in the military.

She saluted them at once and then one of the soldiers spoke, "We demanded for your release on claims that you still need to treat many of their injured soldiers. Of course, the crime is still hanging on you and investigation is still ongoing. We signed an undertaking that you will never run away."

"I won't run away. I didn't do that and I'm sure that in time, the actual person who committed the offence would be found," she said.

"You only have three months to work freely. If after three months, you can't vindicate yourself, we won't be able to help at that point," one of the Eastern Ocean City soldiers said.

"Understood," Katherine said and watched as the men turned and walked away.

Katherine sighed, "three months to vindicate myself of this grievous offense," she mumbled to herself. She would work hard to ensure she's free. She suddenly sighted someone running towards her.

"Katherine, I'm so happy you are out," Coleen said, his face beaming with happiness.

"I'm glad as well."

"Katherine, you look lean now... I'm so sorry this is happening to you," Coleen said.

"I'll be fine. Coleen, I think we would talk later, I need to leave now..." She said.

"Sure," Coleen said and watched her walk towards a woman. That woman was Samantha. She had also heard that some men from Eastern Ocean City had come to sign an undertaking on her behalf.

Samantha hugged Katherine and cried on her shoulder, "I'm glad you are finally out."

After they had disengaged from the hug, Samantha lead her to the car and drove her to the mansion. Katherine rushed to her children's room at once. They were so glad to see her. Their depressing mood faded off at once.

Katherine spent the rest of the day with her kids. She had missed them so much. It was only after the kids had slept that she decided to walk over to her room.

Her aching heart had now calmed now that she was able to spend time with her kids. Seven days without her kids was so much of a torture for her.

As she walked out of the kid's room, she saw Derrick by the balcony.

She kind of felt ashamed. It's not like she had done anything wrong but because the crime on her made her look like she was really guilty. It will of course make Derrick see her in a bad light.

"No one in Eastern Ocean City would have known that you were locked up here. But I told Alessio to tell them and even gave them the offer to sign an undertaking for you to be free," Derrick said, "this is the only legal way I can let you out until the truth is out."

So it was Derrick that smartly worked her freedom. She was so grateful that she looked at him and mumbled, "thank you so much, Marshall."

"I did it for the children. They have missed you greatly. I feel very uncomfortable seeing those little ones sad and depressed," he said.

She nodded and mumbled again, "thank you, Marshall. I'll work hard and vindicate myself of this crime. It hurts to be accused falsely but..."

"Are you really not guilty?" He asked.

"Marshall, I can't do such. You were the first person I called when I noticed the fire burning the amunition building. I won't have to call you if I was the one who set it up," she said.

"You could have called me though, to make it look like you are innocent," Marshall said and Katherine's heart broke even more.

"Marshall," a familiar voice suddenly called and both Derrick and Katherine looked towards the direction of the voice.

A woman dressed in a night gown could be seen approaching them. Looking closely, Katherine saw that this woman was Donna.

Donna? Here? Is she living here or did she came to visit Derrick?

Once Donna got before her, she said excitedly, "babe, I'm so happy you are out. Aww... I hope you vindicate yourself soon. I'm sure you didn't do what you were accused of."

Katherine looked at Derrick in a questioning look, "I thought Samantha would have told you. Well, Donna is now living here. However, her apartment is at the third floor so you may not necessarily have reasons to meet in the house."

"Marshall, although Katherine seems to have grudges against me but I really do not have any issues with her, I still regard her as my friend. Even if we meet in the house, I do not think she has issues with that," Donna said.

Katherine was still in a daze. Samantha always come to check up on her in prison everyday, why didn't she tell her that Donna had moved in.

Katherine suddenly felt choked with Donna's presence in the house. She also felt like her children were unsafe.

"I must leave, Marshall," Katherine saluted him and walked away.

"My sister seemed to still have issues with me," Donna said to Derrick after she had left.

"She's only surprised you have moved in." Derrick said and added, "you must not cause her nor her kids any trouble." Then he walked away from her without saying a word.

Donna felt bad seeing him walk away from her. It's like it irks him to stay around her. Was she that disgusting or does she had an attribute that is not likable? Either way, she's here to stay and chase Katherine out.

Katherine had gone straight to Samantha's room to question why she didn't tell her that Donna had moved in. "You were already depressed inside the cell. If I tell you that Donna had moved in, it will definitely worsen your mood so I decided to keep it away from you."

Samantha quickly added, "I'm sorry."

Katherine looked away for a long period of time. She was angry that Donna was here. Then she turned her gaze at Samantha, "I think Donna is behind the crime I was falsely accused of. My instincts just tells me Donna is the mastermind of it all. She's a devil. Seven years ago, she set me up to be fucked by a stranger and that made Richard mock me and send me away from home. The Caldwell's family and their friends still sees me as an adulterous woman until today."

"I gathered my life together and here I am, trying to work hard to give my kid a better life only for Donna to appear again." She said.

Samantha listened keenly, "I have already started investigating but nothing positive had come out yet, but now that you mentioned Donna, I'll focus my investigation on her."

Katherine nodded and said, "let me know whatever you find out."

"Got it," Samantha answered.

Two days later, Katherine laid on her bed, she acts like she's happy whenever her kids are around but deep down, she was sad. She hadn't been able to go to the medical building to resume work neither had she attended any training. She had been home, barely eating.

The situation she was in was so complicated that she doubts if she can ever vindicate herself. Whoever set her up this time planned it well. All her efforts and that of Samantha had not yielded any result so far.

Her mood had been down and she has been greatly depressed. If at the end of the three months given to her to vindicate herself and she eventually couldn't, would she be killed? Or be made to spend the rest of her life in prison? How about her kids? Her most important concern was her kids.

While in her thoughts, a knock landed on the door and she spoke sorrowfully, "come in."

The door opened she immediately sat upright on seeing Derick. She had thought that it was Samantha but it turned out to be Derrick.

"Marshall!" She called in a very sad but respectful tone.

Derrick went to sit on the couch and said, "Katherine, we recovered a deleted footage of the CCTV camera we set around the Amunition building. Someone whose face was covered went in there before you walked in and that was why the dog was barking," he said.

Katherine become more attentive at once.

"Also, the person was caught on camera setting fire on the amunition. Your only offence is going ahead of the 10 meter distance rule set around the building to which you will be punished for," Derrick said.

He added, "I know you ran there cause of the dogs barking but that doesn't change the fact that you broke the rule."

"So does that mean I have been vindicated?" She asked excitedly.

"You have."

