Brittany wouldnt be anywhere near this project But this isnt about creative control its about pow power. I wont stand a chance against them . The investors demanded her as the lead. If I refuse , they pull funding and blacklist me across the industry What ? Paisleys breath hitched , her mind racing . She had encountered producers and investors who had tried to in uence casting decisions, but never with this level of force. The audacity of it all took her completely by surprise. even a renowned director like Gary could be swayed and threatened with his career to the point of having to comply was almost To think that eve bughable And what shocked her even more was the fact that she knew the investors in this project . None of them had the kind of power to make such sweeping decisions Which investor? Paisley asked, her voice calm but her mind already spinning, strategizing. She thought she might be able to go straight to the source, have a word with whoever had made this call. She had the connections, after all. Garys tone was de ated, as if he knew he was powerless in the face of it all . Its not just one. All of the investors are insisting on Brittany as the lead Paisleys heart sank, and a cold knot of tension formed in her chest. The weight of the situation hit her hard . She could feel her blood pressure rising , her grip tightening on the phone Gary sighed again, his voice heavy with resignation, Ms. Vaire, Im sure youve gured it out by now. Brittany has someone powerful backing her someone so in uential that all the investors are simply following this mysterious gures orders. Please, just take pity on me and let it go this time. Panley didnt press Gary further . She understood that this was out of his hands now, no longer a matter he could control. gure! Whats the deal with Brittany anyway? know such a powerful Lucy asked her confusion plain. How could someone like her possibly know Brittany was nothing more than a D list actress, the kind who barely scraped by starring in obscure soap operas. She had no business landing a lead role in a major production like this one. 1/3 Chapter Thuisley frowned in thought.

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Chapter 4 It had taken everything in Paisley to steel herself and leave

She rushed to the temporary studio she rented in Harrowfell for work .

But as soon as she stepped inside , her assistant , Lacy Green , brought

Paisley s brows furrowed sharply , her voice cold and resolute

We had an agreement before signing, Brittany Sullivan was never an

casting wasnt within

screenwriter, Paisley had made one thing crystal clear from the start

Brittany was not to be involved It wasnt just about this drama either .

In every project Paisley had ever worked on , Brittany lad been a hard

It was an unspoken rule that every production tram collaborating with

Paisleyenlered, her tone leaving no room for negotiation.

cant the role was .

Lucy hesitated, her unease evident as she pulled out her tablet and

The production teams already announced it on Instagram Without a

moments pause, Paisley picked up ho up her phone and dialed the

Ms Vaire , what a surprise to hear from you Her voice was sharp , every

We discussed this and you agreed approve of Brittany being cast in

But , you know , verbal agreements dont hold much weight in this

Paisley let out a short, incredulous laugh, her tone biting.

If thats your stance, then dont blame me for what happens next.

Vaire, Lets not calate things, Gary said hastily, his sigh heavy with

any role On the other end of the line, Garys guilty chuckle betrayed his

rst call went straight to voicemail,

nally answered, his tone mockingly jovial,

nalized.

her jurisdiction

as the

her some bad news with a grim expression .

Anderson just texted me: Lucy said hesitantly.

The lead role in the new drama has been

They picked Brittany Sullivan.

Ahhough

no , no matter how insigni

her had agreed to respect.

opened Instagram.

then the second.

Anderson.

business.

Wait, wait, Ms.

frustration.

If I had any say .

Look, its not that I wanted this.

On her third attempt, he

word striking with precision.

I dont a for this project.

Spare me the pleasantries, Mr.

unease as he said in a dismissive voice .

Well, yes, we discussed it.

Get her replaced immediately .

I think it might be too late for that .

director, Gary Anderson, The

Absolutely not.

option

Serena behind .

Mr.

The Sullivan family she knew certainly didnt wield that kind of in uence. Are we just going to let this slide! Really let Brittany take the lead rolet Lacy asked, unwilling to accept the situation. Paisleys scripts w top notch and the actors chosen for her leads were usually either A list superstars or brilliant character actors . were always The idea that someone as insigni cant as Brittany could land such a prestigious role felt like a slap in the face . Lucy thought in frustration. Shes gonna man everything. Alsalnarly mit Paisley said rmly . She refused to let it end like this, but for now, she couldn't think of a way around it.

After all, she couldnt exactly let Gary get blacklisted from the entire

Lucy hesitated before voicing a question that had nagged at her for a

not lead materul, but shes harmless enough for minor roles.

Speaking of Brittany why do you dislike her so much I get that shes

Yet you wont even allow that Why? Paisley sank ouse the sofa, her

Brittanys adoptive parents are my biological parents Lucys cys eyes

Wait are you saying shes a fake heiress? Abitter smile tugged at

She hated how her life seemed ripped straight from the pages of some

tired soap opera, but that was the As a child, she had gone missing in

rmly established herself as her adoptive parents

beloved daughter , living under their roof and in their hearts for

family had grown so attached to Much like every cliche about swapped

The f Britany that they wished Paisley had never come back at all .

After one too many heated confrontations, Paisley cut ties with them

was during that turbulent time that she met Dominick .

cial announcement.

nally going to star in this drama.

This is wonderful news, sweetheart.

cial .

Once it airs, Ill be famous for sure Brittany chirped, snuggling into

an arm around Britany, her face alight with pride and satisfaction.

Brittanys lips curled into a sly smirk as she toyed with her phone .

Her tone was dripping with triumph, her eyes gleaming as she reveled

in her victory, I dont know what Nion Vaires problem is Shes always

Every single one of her projects? Not even a bit part.

Im still the one who Landed the lead Christina

Brittanys silky hair, her smile deepening with satisfaction.

I told you, hes always been so generous to our family.

I knew hed come through At the mention of the dashing and poised

Three months ago , a man claiming to be Dominicks assistant hud

He had landed her a business card and assured her that she could

Dominicks in uence had worked wonders for Brittany Opponunities

s business ventures

had bene ted

that once seemed out of reach were suddenly handed to her on a lver

signi cantly, riding the coattails of Dominicks power and connections

Such a pity hes about to get married Christina sighed , her eyes

To her, Brittany was leagues above Dominicks hancer in every way.

Too bad hes marrying someone else, Arimany, however, waved the

935 PM Chapter 4 ir lovers the vows are said, they go their ir separate

Besides, those tabloids? Half of them are probably made up anyway,

Vanderbilt hasnt even publicly con rmed anything Youre right .

If he didnt have feelings for you, why would he go out of his way to

help you- and our family, no less? Still, a trace of regret lingered in

Vanderbilt has a son, doesnt he? Born from his ex wife? I honestly

cant imagine what kind of woman would walk away from such an

Shes probably somewhere sobbing over her regret right Christina let

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Some people just arent cut out for the good life .

Its no wonder shes spent her life destitute and alone .

y, an almost imperceptible shadow

Look at that wretch, Paisley.

She deserves it .

crossing her face .

Its my fault .

I took her place.

Brittanys hand with a

By the way, since Mr.

Better yet, invite him over for dinner.

Itd be nice to have a meal together.

properly.

One daughter is more than enough for me .

Youve done us proud, and thats all that matters.

Changing the subject, Christina leaned in closer.

At the mention of Paisley .

Brittanys expression faltered brie

Mom, dont hold onto your anger toward Paisley.

Back then, I was young and foolish, and I made her mad.

Thats why she left the family and hasnt come back in all these years-

Dont ruin a good day by bringing her up Christina cut in , clasping

ectionate reassurance.

Vanderbilt helped you so much this time, you really should thank him

Always scheming, always ungrateful.

cial.

cial ... Brittany straightened up , her curiosity piqued .

Christina agreed after a pause, nodding thoughtfully.

ick of her hand.

Christina thought to herself, Brittanys so much better than her.

erent .

Mom , you know how those marriages in high society work .

ways and live their own lives with their Its nothing unusual.

Vanderbilt treats me well, I dont care about a title.

family

lingering on her daughters beautiful, doll like face.

approached Brittany, inquiring about her connection to the Sullivan

Dominick, a delicate blush spread across Brittanys checks, softening

The moment you asked him for help .

Vanderbilt has indeed been very kind to me .

reach out if she ever needed assistance.

gently stroked

But guess what ? None of that matters now .

Speaking of which, you should really thank Mr.

Vanderbilt for this role.

her voke to a coy murmur.

Mr.

family .

smce then .

platter.

Even the Sullivan

If only things were di

As long as Mr.

Mr.

her tone .

Speaking of o

exceptional man like him .

out a sharp laugh.

Mr.

But its not the same as having it o

concern away with a nonchalant

Once 2/3 Dreame Read Romance ..

the arms of Christina Sullivan , who at beside her Christina wrapped

Hed promised to give her the family shed always longed for .

Meanwhile , back at Sullivan Villa , Brittany sprawled on the plush

couch in the living room , her phone in hand She was scrolling through

Instagram, grinning ear to ear as she came across the production

She quickly hit the like button shared the post , and added a gleeful

or lost daughters , Paisleys return wasnt met with joy but with

fteen years

By the time she was reunited with the Sullivan family ,

industry.

while .

expression weary.

went wide with shock.

Paisley s lips.

an accident.

had passed.

In those years .

fourteen years .

hostility.

completely.

teams o

comment Mom, its o

had it out for me .