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In the court, Adrian appeared to be a little agitated.

He continued to speak loudly, "When I saw that contract, I couldn't believe my eyes. I never thought that Jeanne would do such a thing. After all, it's the Lawrence Enterprise, her family's assets. She was secretly profiting and harming their assets. I felt a chill down my spine for Chairman Lawrence. I heard that he treats Jeanne very well. When Jeanne was slandered by all the higher-ups and they didn't trust her, it was Chairman Lawrence who appeared in the meeting room in a wheelchair to save her. Wouldn't she feel guilty for doing this?! Doesn't she feel sorry for her grandfather who trusted her so much?!"

Adrian's tone was heartbreaking.

It was as if he had been treated like this by his own daughter. At the same time, he also described Jeanne's dark cruelty to the fullest.

"Please control your emotions. The court is a serious place," Josiah reminded.

Adrian took a deep breath as if he was trying to calm himself down.

After a long while, he spoke again, "After seeing the contract, I completely Tenda that Jeanne is the mastermind behind the matter. I hesitated for a long time. I also thought about letting this matter go. After all, the difference between the qualities of the construction materials isn't too big, and it wouldn't affect the overall construction of the logistics warehouse. However, in the end, I still couldn't let it go and decided to report Jeanne for the sake of justice."

What he said sounded very righteous.

Monica almost jumped up and cursed when she heard that.

Meanwhile, Eden, who was sitting at the side, had a sinister smile on his face.

He was not the only one.

Joshua, who was sitting next to Jasmine, had a more obvious expression on his face.

A woman not far away from them, Melody, who had been silent since the court session and had not been discovered by anyone, also had a vicious smile on her face.

She was wearing sunglasses and sitting in a corner.

Micheal was sitting beside Melody. The two of them deliberately sat one seat apart from each other in order to not attract too much attention.

"How did you get the dual contract? You even found out that there was a sum of 30 million dollars in Jeanne's account?" Josiah asked.

"After I decided to report it, I made a lot of preparations. First, I went to look for Tenda again. When I looked for him, I deliberately asked him to admit his dual contract with Jeanne again and recorded it."

"Do you have the recording proof?" Josiah asked.

"Yes."

"Your Honor, please allow me to play the recording in court."

"Permission granted."

Josiah asked the staff at the scene to play the recording.

In the recording, it could be clearly heard that Tenda admitted to his contract with Jeanne and kept telling Adrian to calm down and not meddle in other people's business.

The recording ended.

Adrian said, "With this recording, I have evidence to threaten Tenda. Tenda saw that my attitude was firm, and he was afraid that he would be implicated too deeply. In the end, he gave me the dual contract. At the same time, he also gave me the transaction record of transferring 30 million dollars to Jeanne. After getting all the evidence, I made an anonymous report. The reason is that I was afraid that I'd be fired because of this. I've been working diligently at the Lawrence Enterprise for many years and have long regarded the enterprise as my last career. I have deep feelings for the enterprise and didn't want to lose my job just like that. That said, later on, I felt that since I exposed the matter for the sake of justice and am not targeting anyone, I believed that the Lawrence Enterprise wouldn't target me!"

Adrian spoke again, using righteous words to portray himself as quite noble.

"Alright, we've fully understood the origin of your evidence." Josiah appeared to be more business-like. He turned his head toward Tenda in the dock and asked, "May I ask if the witness' testimony regarding you is true?"

Tenda nodded. "It's true."

"Alright." Josiah nodded and turned to face the judge respectfully. "Your Honor, that's the end of the prosecution's legal statement."

"Please return to your seat, attorney for the prosecution."

"Understood."

The judge said to the plaintiff, "Will the attorney for the defendant please defend the prosecution's legal statement?"

"Thank you, Your Honor." Judah stood up from his seat.

In fact, Judah was not particularly famous in South Hampton City. He was a few grades lower than Josiah, who had always helped the public prosecution.

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In fact, Eden did not know who Jeanne had hired to defend her. Anyway, he had asked and even secretly asked those more famous lawyers. No one would take up Jeanne's lawsuit. At this moment, Eden treated Judah lightly as he had never seen or heard of him before.

As for how exactly Judah was...

In any case, anyone under Kingsley could not be bad.

At this moment, Judah said unhurriedly, "Your Honor, I'll plead for my client's innocence."

The moment he said that, everyone in the courtroom was in an uproar.

Eden's face instantly turned cold.

'Where did Jeanne get the courage to plead for "innocence"?

'Is she really that shameless?!

'Isn't she afraid of how she would be insulted once the lawsuit is over?!'

"Jeanne is still so ungrateful." When Jasmine heard Judah's words, she could not help but sneer.

There was noise at the scene.

"Silence!" The judge was serious.

Only then did the scene quieten down.

Those mocking voices gradually disappeared.

"Please continue, attorney for the plaintiff."

"Understood," Judah said respectfully.

He spoke to the judge, "Your Honor, just now, the witness, Mr. Zimmer, kept saying that the matter of the dual contract of the Lawrence Enterprise's logistics warehouse was related to my client, but from the beginning to the end, he only came into contact with the contractor, Tenda. Through Tenda's one-sided words, he concluded that this case was instigated by my client. Throughout the entire process, he never mentioned that he had any interactions with my client. He didn't even mention what my client's motive was!"

"Isn't the motive obvious? Of course, it's for profit," Adrian suddenly spoke, very agitated.

Judah glanced at Adrian. "Mr. Zimmer, before you're asked to speak, don't speak."

"Please control your emotions, witness. Before you're asking to speak in court, don't interrupt," the judge ordered.

"Okay."

Judah continued, "If the so-called signed contract without handprint and the so-called records can prove my client's guilt, Harken's law is too child's play then. I think that my client was deliberately framed!"

"Attorney for the plaintiff, please watch your words." The judge was very serious.

"Yes, Your Honor." Judah appeared much more respectful. "May I ask the witness a few questions?"

"Permission granted."

"Mr. Zimmer," Judah said straightforwardly.

Adrian looked at him.

"How long have you been at the Lawrence Enterprise?"

"15 years of service."

"So you're considered a senior employee at the Lawrence Enterprise."

"It's precisely because of my feelings for the Lawrence Enterprise that I sued Jeanne for the sake of justice."

"You kept saying that you're very righteous. What does justice mean to you?"

"Objection." Josiah stood up. "Your Honor, I strongly protest against the plaintiff's attorney asking questions that are useless to the case. In fact, his words even contained sarcasm toward the witness, seriously affecting the emotions of the witness."

"Objection sustained. Plaintiff's lawyer, please watch your words again."

Judah nodded.

It was worth noting that the prosecution's side had the dominant position in this case.

Judah continued, "Just now, you said that you've been at the Lawrence Enterprise for 15 years, Mr. Zimmer. Have you been doing their construction work for the past 15 years?"

"Yes."

"According to your profession, you should be very familiar with the construction companies of all scales in South Hampton City?"

"Yes, I'm very familiar with them," Adrian answered.

"It means that you should be very familiar with Tenda," Judah said straightforwardly.

Adrian was stunned.

At that moment, he panicked for a second.

The next second, he quickly said, "I do have some dealings with him, but I knew he would do such a thing. If I knew, I would definitely advise the company not to choose Tenda..."

"I just need to clarify whether you and Tenda are very close."

Adrian hesitated for a moment.

He gritted his teeth and said, "We're very close."

"Okay. I understand." Judah nodded and said respectfully to the judge, "Your Honor, may I ask the defendant, Tenda, some questions?"

"Permission granted."

Judah turned to face Tenda.

Tenda was also a little nervous.

Judah said, "Mr. Wadler, just now, Adrian said that you're very close. Is that right?"

"Yes, we know each other because we often collaborate in construction."

"You often collaborate? How many times have you worked with Adrian?"

Tenda thought for a moment before he answered, "Three or four times."

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"You and Mr. Zimmer are really very close then, Mr. Wadler." Judah once again made a conclusion.

Tenda did not refute.

"Just now, Mr. Zimmer said that you admitted that you and my client had a dual contract deal. May I ask how my client contacted you, trusted you, and cooperated with you when she just returned to South Hampton City for a month?" Judah enunciated each word clearly. He hit the nail on the head.

Tenda was a little nervous.

He said, "I don't know why Jeanne trusted me. Perhaps she knew that I didn't have enough funds, so she used me. I heard that she's very capable in the business world. It shouldn't be difficult for her to spot someone. So, on the eve of the Lawrence Enterprise's tender..."

"The exact time, please," Judah said coldly.

"At 10:00 pm on September 23rd, Jeane came to me and said that she wanted to discuss a deal with me. I was a little hesitant at the time. At that time, I didn't think about breaking the law. I was afraid that she would lie to me, asking me to deliberately submit a tender at a low price but not give me any profit in the end. However, Jeanne gave me a contract that she signed on the spot, and she even wrote down the specifications for the replacement of the materials in the contract. I saw that she was sincere, so I agreed to it."

"Didn't you notice that there was only a signature and no fingerprint in the contract?" Judah raised his eyebrow. "As the boss of a construction company, a contract without a handprint has no legal effect. It's impossible for you not to know this."

"I really didn't notice at that time. In fact, I'm in debt. Some time ago, I lost nearly five million dollars in gambling. If I can't pay it back, I'll sell my company's shares. I built the company from scratch. I don't want to be bought by others, so I gritted my teeth and took the risk. I also followed Jeanne's instructions and made a low-price tender."

The reason given was very good.

"I have the loan shark's settlement request note here." Tenda seemed to be afraid that what he said was unbelievable, so he quickly showed his evidence.

The staff member took it from Tenda and handed it to the judge.

"If what you said is true, then the 30 million dollars in Jeanne's account was from you?!"

"Yes, once the Lawrence Enterprise's construction fund arrived, I called Jeanne. Our agreement was very clear. It was to be split 20-80 between us. Since the profit was 35 million dollars, I could only get 5 million dollars, and 30 million dollars would belong to Jeanne. There was some remaining amount beyond the 35 million dollars. If not for this sudden case, it would've been split the same way."

"Did you personally call Jeanne?"

"Yes. I don't trust others, so I did it myself."

"Did you tell Jeanne after you transferred the money?"

"No. When Jeanne worked with me, she told me not to contact her too much. Of course, I knew that this matter was illegal, so the less contact we had, the better."

"Didn't you just say that you didn't think too much about whether this is illegal or not?" Judah found a loophole.

Tenda was a little agitated. "I was talking about that time. I didn't think too much at that time. I'm not stupid. Of course, I knew after that."

"Okay." Judah nodded.

He turned his head to face the judge. "Your Honor, I've finished asking my questions."

Everyone at the scene felt that it was a little funny.

Judah had merely stated the matter once again. He did not defend Jeanne at all.

As expected, Jeanne and her lawyer were the same. They just looked grand for attention.

All of a sudden, everyone heard Judah say, "Next, I'll officially begin to plead my client's innocence."

He suddenly had an imposing manner.

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In the court.

Everyone looked at Judah as if he had suddenly changed into a different person.

He calmly walked toward Jeanne.

Then, he said to the judge, "Undeniably, according to the testimony of the two witnesses, it seems that the matter of my client profiting for herself has been established, but in reality, there are many loopholes."

Everyone looked at Judah attentively.

"Firstly, Tenda said that my client knew that he was short of money? My client had only returned from abroad for less than a month, and she has been busy with the construction of the Lawrence Enterprise's e-commerce project. How could she know that the boss of a mere construction company is having a hard time making ends meet? I don't need Tenda's answer to conclude that even the people from his

company didn't know. Otherwise, the news of a construction company's boss being in debt due to gambling would've been all over the news. I don't believe that the reporters in South Hampton City aren't sharp enough!

"Secondly, Tenda said that he personally made a payment to my client and didn't inform my client because he wanted to avoid suspicion. When he made the payment, he didn't even send a text message. Was it to avoid suspicion, or was it to not let my client know?!

Judah's expression became more serious, "Thirdly, just now, Tenda and Adrian both admitted that they're very close. Can I suspect that the two of them secretly plotted everything and framed my client?!"

"You're slandering me!" Adrian suddenly became agitated.

"Calm down!" The judge rebuked angrily.

Adrian calmed himself down. "I accuse the defendant's lawyer of attacking and insulting me personally."

"Whether I'm attacking you or not, I have evidence," Judah said word by word.

Adrian was suddenly stunned.

Judah took out a document from his seat and said, "Firstly, it's this dual contract. I believe that everyone present has seen this contract before. The judge has seen it, the trial bench has seen it, the prosecution's lawyer, the witnesses, the defendant, and I have all seen it before. I just don't know if you've seen the other one."

He took out another contract.

"This is the contract signed by the Lawrence Enterprise and MUK. I have a lot of copies here. Please distribute them for me."

The staff went forward and distributed the contracts one by one.

"If you check carefully, you'll find that the contract is the same as my client's dual contract. What does this mean? It means that the contracts were written by the same person. Of course, this contract wasn't written by my client. My client only discussed the project. As for the terms and conditions of the contract, they're the job of the secretarial office of the Lawrence Enterprise's general affairs department. In other words, this dual contract is related to Lunetta Walker, the secretary-general, Lunetta!"

As soon as he said that, Adrian was clearly a little nervous.

His eyes flickered, and he was a little restless.

At that moment, he could not help but look at Joshua in the audience seats.

Joshua panicked.

Eden also saw Joshua's nervousness and said in a low voice, "Calm down."

Joshua gritted his teeth.

In the court, Judah asked again, "Your Honor, can Lunetta appear in court?"

The judge was a little hesitant.

Judah said, "Today is Thursday. I'm sure that Lunetta is working at the Lawrence Enterprise, and a round trip from the court to the enterprise will only take 20 minutes."

The judge and the trial bench discussed for a moment and said, "Permission granted. We'll now use formal means to get Lunetta Walker to appear in court. The court will be temporarily adjourned for half an hour."

The announcement was over.

The judge left first, then the people in the court also left one after another.

Judah walked toward Jeanne.

Jeanne and Judah talked in a low voice.

She felt a burning gaze on her.

Jeanne did not even dare to raise her head.

She was afraid that Kingsley would catch her red-handed.

The scene was not too quiet at this moment.

Joshua had run out of the court at this moment. He went to an empty corner and followed Eden's instructions. He hurriedly gave Lunetta a call and gave a few simple instructions. The next moment, he heard Lunetta say, the people from the court had gone to the Lawrence Enterprise Corporation to look for her.

As such, Joshua had no choice but to hang up the phone.

He returned to his seat.

Eden looked at Joshua's sweaty face. "How is it?"

"Lunetta is a smart woman. We can rest assured."

Eden nodded.

At this moment, his expression was still a little ugly.

Half an hour later, the court resumed.

Lunetta appeared in court.

Judah continued, "Ms. Walker, may I ask if the two contracts in front of you were both drawn up by you?"

"I did the first contract between the Lawrence Enterprise and MUK. As it is a large-scale project of the Lawrence Enterprise, the specifications are relatively high, so I was personally involved. At that time,

Director Lawrence came to the company and specifically asked me about it. It was indeed done by me. However, the second contract... I haven't seen it before."

"Are you sure you haven't seen it before?" Judah asked.

Lunetta looked very calm. "No, but after your reminder, these two contracts are indeed somewhat similar. As a professional, I have to say that it's very normal for contracts to be similar because the terms and conditions are almost the same. Besides, I feel that..."

Lunetta seemed to be a little afraid to speak.

"You mustn't hide anything in the court," Judah said bluntly.

"When I was drafting the contract with MUK, I received praise from everyone in the company. At that time, Director Hoffman of the general affairs department even commended me at a meeting. Everyone knows this contract was written very well, so it's very normal for it to be copied by others."

"So, what you're saying is that this contract was done by someone who copied you."

"It's just my personal opinion." Lunetta was very calm.

Among the audience, Joshua's nervousness gradually eased.

He had not treated the woman well for nothing. She was indeed very smart.

"Okay. I got it. Your Honor, I still have a witness. Can you allow me to let the witness come to court?" Judah asked

"Yes."

At this moment, a man walked into the courtroom.

No one knew him.

Only Lunetta was a little nervous.

She unconsciously clenched her hands.

"May I know your name and occupation?" Judah asked.

"My Name Is Horace Whitfield. I'm a contract professional lawyer consultant for the Lawrence Enterprise."

"Does that mean that you work with Ms. Walker a lot?"

"Yes, we've been working together for many years."

"Have you seen this contract before?" Judah handed the contract to Horace.

Horace looked at it and nodded. "I have. This is a contract that Luna asked me to look at in private, probably last month. She said that it was requested by a friend of hers."

"Are you sure that this contract was given to you by Ms. Walker? Are you sure that it was this contract?"

"Due to my profession, I have an impression of the contracts that I've handled. I still remember that I pointed out a few unreasonable aspects to Luna at that time. For example, I asked Luna to change this term at that time," Horace said affirmatively.

"Is there evidence to prove that this contract was given to you by Ms. Walker?" Judah asked.

Horace seemed to be a little hesitant.

"You're at court. All of your words and actions have legal effects. Please consider that, Mr. Whitfield."

Horace said, "I have a video record."

"Where did you get it?"

"At that time, Luna came to my office to look for me with this contract. Coincidentally, there was a camera in my office, so it was recorded."

"Please show me your video."

Horace took out his phone and opened the video's copy. He handed it to Judah.

After Judah looked at it, he got the staff to pass it to the judges and the trial bench.

At this moment, Lunetta's expression changed.

"Your Honor, may I ask if the video can be shown in public?"

The judge nodded. "Yes."

The video was shown to everyone.

Lunetta took the document and walked into Horace's office. The two of them were revising the contract together. The camera was in high definition. After zooming in, they could see the words on the contract.

After the video was played, the crowd was in an uproar again.

Judah asked, "Your Honor, is the video enough to show that this contract was written by Ms. Walker?"

"It's enough."

Judah looked at Lunetta and asked, "What else do you have to say, Ms. Walker?"

At that moment, Lunetta was no longer as calm as she was when she first arrived.

Back then, Lunetta had indeed asked the lawyer she was familiar with to take a look at the contract because she wanted to be more perfect. She did not want to arouse too much suspicion from the other party, so she did not take too many measures. Lunetta only knew that it was not safe to keep electronic records, but she did not think that there would be surveillance cameras. More importantly, she never thought that Jeanne would be able to determine that she was involved based on two contracts. This had nothing to do with her in the first place.

"Ms. Walker, there's no need to be nervous. The evidence is clear. It's futile no matter how hard you try to argue. Now, you just need to tell me the reason you wrote this contract," Judah said.

In an instant, the defendant, who was originally in a passive position, had completely taken the initiative!

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In the court, Lunetta was rendered speechless.

She did not expect to be exposed so suddenly and thoroughly.

"Ms. Walker." Judah waited for a while but did not receive a reply. He called her name again, clearly with a threatening aura.

Lunetta gritted her teeth.

She said fiercely, "Yes, I was the one who wrote it."

The corners of Judah's mouth curled up.

Everyone else in the court also looked at her.

Joshua was on the verge of collapsing in the audience seats.

His body was trembling.

Eden could not care less at this moment.

He had never thought that there would be such a sudden reversal.

In the extremely quiet court, Lunetta continued, "It was Jeanne who forced me to write it!"

Judah's face suddenly darkened.

Jeanne's eyes also tensed up.

Joshua was stunned.

Eden felt lucky at this moment.

"Are you sure that Jeanne forced you? Ms. Walker, you have to think carefully before you answer. This is a court..."

"I didn't dare to admit it because I was afraid of being implicated. Jeanne asked me to help her write this contract. I didn't think too much at that time. I'm an employee of the Lawrence Enterprise while Jeanne is a Lawrence and my boss. I'll do whatever my boss wants me to do..."

Judah's face turned cold. "What benefits did my client give you for you to help her draft the dual contract?"

"I told you—I work for the Lawrence Enterprise. Jeanne doesn't have to give me any benefits. I'll carry out her orders."

"Ms. Walker, do you know that this contract is illegal? Just from the contract alone, no one else should be able to see anything strange. However, you've personally drafted the contract for the Lawrence

Enterprise's e-commerce project. You're familiar with all the terms and conditions. You should be able to see that there's a problem!" Judah said.

"As I said, I work for the Lawrence Enterprise. As a qualified employee, I'll do whatever my boss tells me to do. I won't ask too many questions." Lunetta insisted.

Judah's expression changed slightly.

The court was in a stalemate for a while.

"Ms. Walker, don't you feel that your words are inconsistent?" Judah continued to say.

Lunetta was trying her best to keep calm.

"I asked you just now if both contracts were done by you..."

"I said that I was afraid of being implicated, which was why I denied it!"

"Please watch your emotions, Ms. Walker, and hear me out!" Judah enunciated each word.

Lunetta was very nervous.

It was obvious that she was nervous, but she was trying her best to control herself.

Judah continued, "Earlier, you told me that the e-commerce project's contract was written by you, but this dual contract was not. If I remember correctly, you said that my client went to you to ask about the contract, and you also answered that you were indeed involved in the e-commerce project's contract. If my client knew that these two contracts were written by you, why would she waste her time asking you alone?! Where is your logic?!"

"There's no logic. I was lying just now. In order to not get implicated, I deliberately made up a set of lies to not be involved in this. In fact, these two contracts were written by me, but I wasn't involved in anything. If you don't believe me, you can look into my accounts. I'm innocent!" Lunetta pointed out that Jeanne was the one who instructed her to do so.

At first, everyone thought that Jeanne might have really been framed, but at this moment, the development of the case started to deviate again because of Lunetta's words.

Joshua said with some pride, "Jeanne must've not expected to be attacked."

Eden was not as optimistic as Joshua.

Nonetheless, if Lunetta kept on putting the blame on Jeanne, they still had hope of winning.

In the court, Judah seemed to be silent for quite a while.

It gave people the feeling that he seemed to have lost his confidence.

Even his imposing manner was reduced by a lot.

The public prosecutor's attorney, Josiah, stood up and was about to speak.

Judah suddenly sighed heavily. Then, he raised his head to face the judge and said, "Luckily, I still have evidence."

Everyone in the court was nervous again.

Lunetta looked straight at Judah.

Judah said, "Ms. Walker, I heard that you and Adrian Zimmer have some unspeakable collusion."

Lunetta was obviously frightened. She shook her head. "What nonsense are you talking about?! You're insulting me! How could I have anything to do with Chief Engineer Zimmer?!"

"You're very capable, Ms. Walker. That said, Mr. Zimmer must've helped you a lot for you to be able to rise from a little secretary to the position of secretary-general in just five years."

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"No! I did it with my own ability. If you continue to insult my personality like this, I'll sue you!" Lunetta was so agitated that her eyes were red.

Josiah stood up. "Your Honor, objection. I object that the plaintiff's attorney is always trying to stimulate others to achieve his own goals!"

"Objection sustained." The judge was serious. "Attorney of the plaintiff, please provide evidence. Do not use excessive words to speculate and interrogate."

"Understood," Judah said respectfully, "Your Honor, please allow my other witness to appear in court."

"Permission granted."

After a while, a middle-aged woman appeared.

When Lunetta looked at the woman, her face turned pale.

Adrian was also stunned at that moment.

The woman walked to the designated spot, and Judah walked toward her. His tone was much calmer.

"May I know your name, who you are, and who you are related to?"

"I'm Casey Jenkins, Adrian Zimmer's legal wife. We've been married for 20 years."

"Do you have children?"

"Yes," Casey replied. "Our child is 18 years old and has just come of age."

"Is your child in university now?"

"A freshman."

"Okay." After Judah finished asking, he went straight to the point. "Do you know this woman in front of you?"

Casey looked at Lunetta.

Lunetta was obviously avoiding Casey's gaze.

Casey gritted her teeth and said, "Yes, even if she turns into ashes!"

"How do you know her?"

"She seduced my husband for five whole years. How can I not know her?!"

"Casey, what nonsense are you spouting?!" Adrian was furious at this moment. "What nonsense are you spouting?!"

"I'm not spouting nonsense!" Casey was also very agitated at this moment, "You think I don't know that you're fooling around outside? I know! I just didn't say it for the sake of our child! If I wasn't afraid of affecting our son's studies, I would've fallen out with you!"

"You, you, you!" Adrian was so angry that he could not even speak. After a long while, he said with extreme agitation, "Don't listen to other people's gossip. I didn't do anything to let you down!"

"You think it's hearsay?!" Casey sneered. "I wish, but I'm not stupid. We sleep on the same bed. Do you think I can't feel if you're thinking of someone else?!"

"I've already told you that I'm very busy with work. I'm very busy with work, so how can I have the time to deal with you?!"

"It's nice to use work as an excuse, huh?!" Casey mocked, "Every night, you come home at 1:00 am or 2:00 am—you come home after sleeping with this woman!"

"Casey, shut up and go home now. This isn't the place for you to act like a shrew!" Adrian could not take it anymore and shouted at his wife.

"I'm a shrew?! In your opinion, I can't compare to those vixens outside, can I?"

"I told you that I didn't do anything to let you down. I'll explain it to you and prove my innocence after I'm done here!" Adrian's tone was obviously softer. "Go back now."

"That's not necessary," Casey rejected coldly, "I've had enough—I've had enough of your betrayal. It's not just Lunetta. I know that you had many women before her. Now that our son is in university, I don't need to worry anymore. I want to expose all your scandals!"

"Casey, you're crazy..."

"Mr. Zimmer, please control your emotions," Judah interrupted and said fiercely.

At this moment, the judge also warned seriously, "Mr. Zimmer, please calm down!"

Adrian could not calm down at all. At this moment, his veins were bulging, and he was extremely ferocious.

Judah looked at Casey and asked, "Ms. Jenkins, do you have any evidence to prove that your husband has been cheating on you?"

"Yes."

"What evidence?"

"From the moment I discovered that my husband has been cheating on me, I thought of divorcing him. However, our child was too young, and I didn't want him to think that his family is incomplete, so I

endured it. I thought that Adrian was just fooling around for a moment. After fooling around, he would eventually return to his family. That said, I didn't expect that he would only make things worse. Especially after he met Lunetta, he no longer bothered about me and our son anymore. I knew very well that I wouldn't be able to continue living like that. After my son's situation becomes stable, I'll divorce him. Nonetheless, ever since we got married, I've been a housewife and have no financial resources. Therefore, I have to take away Adrian's property. I've asked my lawyer. As long as I can prove that he has an affair during the marriage and that I'm not at fault, I'll be able to get more compensation. Hence, all these years, I've hired a private detective to help me keep an eye on Adrian and take many photos of him having an affair."

"Please take them out."

Casey placed the photos in Judah's hand.

Judah took a few glances.

It seemed like he could not bear to look at them.

His expression was strange. He could not help but take another look at Adrian and Lunetta.

That made everyone present curious about what the photos were about.

Judah presented the photos to the judges and the trial bench.

He asked, "Your Honor, can these photos be used as evidence that Mr. Zimmer and Ms. Walker colluded?"

"Yes," the judge said.

Josiah suddenly said, "It can only mean that they have an improper relationship and have little to do with this case."

"Lawyer Newton," Judah said to him, "Please use your professional legal knowledge and a normal people's logic to rearrange the content of this case."

Josiah looked a little cold.

Judah was such a significant lawyer, yet he dared to mock him like this.

Judah said, appearing to have a plan in mind, "The cause of the case is that Mr. Zimmer reported that my client profited 30 million dollars on the construction project of the Lawrence Enterprise's logistics warehouse. She was accused of having worked with the contractor, Mr. Wadler, through a dual contract. However, after going through the case, we clearly know that the person who drew up the dual contract was Ms. Walker. Ms. Walker has nothing to do with my client, but she has a deep relationship with Mr. Zimmer. This is one thing. The second thing is that the contractor, Mr. Wadler, had always been in business with Mr. Zimmer. However, Mr. Wadler has nothing to do with my client. Lawyer Newton, with your years of experience in public prosecution, what do you think this means?!"

Josiah's expression was obviously unsightly.

The public prosecution cases that he usually dealt with were all cases where the sentences were already going to be confirmed.

It was the first time he had encountered such a reversal.

Judah did not wait for Josiah's reply. He said straightforwardly, "This means that this case has nothing to do with my client. The person who has the most to do with it is the whistle-blower, Mr. Zimmer!"

His voice was loud and clear, and he had a strong aura in the court.

"Objection!" Josiah said coldly, "This is only your speculation. There's no evidence to prove it! Even if Mr. Zimmer is related to these people, it doesn't mean that he framed Ms. Lawrence. You missed a very important part, Lawyer Smith!"

Judah's eyes narrowed.

"There's an additional 30 million dollars in Jeanne's account. The amount is exactly the same as the witness' testimony and the data on the account list! Could it be that you think that Mr. Zimmer transferred 30 million dollars to Ms. Lawrence? Lawyer Smith, Mr. Zimmer is a high-ranking leader of a listed company. Even if his annual salary is a few million dollars, he wouldn't be able to casually take out 30 million dollars to do such a thing. Besides, what could his motive be?!"

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"Besides, what could his motive be?!" Josiah coldly said to Judah.

Judah looked straight at Josiah and did not answer.

"Lawyer Smith, since you've been denying my logic, what's your logic then? If Mr. Zimmer is the instigator of this case and the person who sought personal benefits through the dual contract, is he crazy? He's already being paid well at his job. Besides, from what you and the witness said just now, it can be clearly seen that Mr. Zimmer doesn't have any grudge against Ms. Lawrence. What benefits would he have by framing her?!"

Judah was a little dumbfounded by Josiah's questions.

At least to the others, he looked as if he was speechless.

Although Judah's capability was obvious today, Josiah's fame was much greater in South Hampton City. Judah was still a newbie lawyer to them.

"Lawyer Smith, please answer my questions." Josiah did not give Judah a way out. He was even a little aggressive.

Judah raised his head and looked at Josiah...

Josiah looked provocative.

Judah said, "Judge, may I ask Tenda a few more questions?!"

"Permission granted."

Judah walked toward Tenda.

Tenda was still very nervous. He looked at Judah nervously.

"Mr. Wadler, I would like to ask if you made this project profit list." Judah asked while showing a list in his hand.

Tenda replied, "I did."

"Has my client seen it?"

"No," Tenda said, "I kept this for myself at that time. I was afraid that Ms. Lawrence would look for me to check the accounts, so I secretly made a financial statement."

"It means that other than you, no one else knows about the existence of this statement."

"Yes."

"Then why did you give it to Mr. Zimmer? Logically speaking, this kind of evidence is extremely disadvantageous to you, so why did you give it to Mr. Zimmer to testify against yourself?!"

"I..." Tenda was somewhat dumbfounded by the question.

Tenda was just an ordinary person, to begin with, and his cultural level was not high.

When there were too many people, he would not be able to speak very clearly and think fast.

"I forced him to give it to me!" Adrian hurriedly said, "I've been dealing with Tenda for many years, and I know that he has a habit of doing his own accounts, so I forced him to bring out the accounts. I admit that I lied to Tenda at that time. I told him that as long as he had a good attitude and admitted his mistake in court, the court could give him a lighter sentence. He saw that there was no turning back, so he could only listen to me."

"That's it," Tenda quickly said, "That's it."

Judah's eyes moved slightly.

He said, "Alright. Even so, Mr. Wadler, why did you use a loss-making profit to share with my client?!"

Tenda looked straight at Judah, not understanding what he was saying.

Judah enunciated each word carefully, "My client and I have carefully studied this financial statement. It looks like a flawless statement, but it's also full of loopholes."

Everyone looked at Judah.

Judah said, "In the statement, it clearly states the purchase prices of two brands. Among them, there's no problem with the prices of the original high-end brand, Sunshine Company. All of them are clearly marked according to the shipping prices of Sunshine Company. Now, there's a huge problem with the prices of Sunrise Company, the brand that was actually used. For example, the price of reinforced concrete drainage pipe is 150 dollars for Sunrise Company but shown as 130 dollars on your accounts, Mr. Wadler. There's a profit margin of more than 800,000 dollars here. In other words, Mr. Wadler gave my client more than 800,000 dollars for free. Of course, this isn't the only one. I've circled all the questionable parts."

As he spoke, Judah asked the staff to hand over the marked account book to the trial bench and the judges.

At the same time, he gave a copy to Josiah...

Josiah quickly looked through it and asked, "Where did you find out that there's a problem with the shipping prices?"

"From the shipping company, Sunrise Company, of course."

"Do you have evidence?"

"Coincidentally, I do." Judah enunciated each word.

Josiah's face was dark.

Judah turned to face the judge. "Your Honor, please allow my witness to appear in court."

"Permission granted."

A man walked into the court.

Judah asked, "May I know your name and what you do?"

"My Name Is Deric Wright, and I'm the shipping manager of Sunrise Company."

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"Will the delivery price of Sunrise Company change frequently?"

"There will be changes. According to the actual situation of the market, there will be some changes."

"Will the changes be very big?"

"Sometimes."

"Now, I have a report in front of me. Can you show me which ones are off?"

"Sure."

Judah showed the report to Deric.

After reading it, Deric said clearly, "The parts with red circles are indeed off."

"What's the problem?"

"There are obvious differences in the price of the goods. The prices are all our previous prices. I've looked at the date. The prices on that day have long been adjusted. Once our company adjusts the prices, unless our boss approves them with his signature, we're not allowed to have such large price fluctuations."

"Then, do you have any impression that these orders have been approved by your boss?"

"No, and I'm sure they haven't been approved. All the lists that need to be changed can only be completed through me. I haven't applied for this."

"Do you have evidence for each adjustment of the price list?" Judah asked.

"Yes." Deric nodded. "Once our prices go up or down, there'll be an internal letter from our company. I'll execute the changes once I receive the letter. This is a price adjustment letter from our company on the same date. It has our boss's signature and stamp."

Judah took it, looked at it a few times, and handed it to a staff member.

The staff member passed it to the trial bench and the judge.

"Finally, I have one more question," Judah said.

"Okay."

"Normally, will you inform your partners about the price adjustments?"

"We'll send a separate letter to inform them."

"May I ask if you've ever informed your partner, Tenda Planning and Construction Company, of any changes?"

"Yes."

"Do you have any proof?"

"I have a screenshot of our email." As he spoke, Deric took out his phone and showed the screenshot to Judah.

After Judah looked at it, he handed it over to the trial bench.

"Okay, thank you, Mr. Wright."

Judah turned around.

He looked at Tenda. "So, Mr. Wadler, even though the prices have been adjusted, you still split the profit with Ms. Lawrence according to the profit from the original prices. What's the reason?"

"I-I..." Tenda was a little speechless.

He did not even write the bill of accounts himself.

Tenda remembered that he did give Adrian a copy of Sunrise Company's quotation, and it was indeed the previous one. He did not notice that the prices had been adjusted, and it was not his money anyway. He just took the bill from his account, and he did not need to check the details.

Moreover, Adrian requested that no one else knew about this. He had tampered with the finances himself. With so much money involved, how could he have time to check everything in detail? He only wanted to make sure that they were about the same!

"Please answer my question, Mr. Wadler," Judah urged Tenda.

Tenda looked at Judah and stammered, "My literacy level isn't high, and I can't do the accounts well, to begin with. Besides, I read the accounts myself. Just in case, I-I didn't check everything in detail..."

"Mr. Wadler, it's true that your literacy level isn't high and that you can't do the accounts. However, you're doing business at a loss, yet you didn't even calculate the profit value clearly. This is probably not a mistake that a business person like you would make. Or could it be that this account wasn't handled by you at all, Mr. Wadler?!"

"I might not have noticed the prices at that time..."

"You didn't notice the prices? Tenda Planning and Construction Company overspent on the purchase prices, but you didn't know, Mr. Wadler?"

"I didn't have time to check. Jeanne was in a hurry to get the money, so I called her directly..."

"Mr. Wadler. If I remember correctly, you just said that you didn't tell my client about the transfer of the money. My client didn't even care about the details of the transfer. Why would she ask you to transfer the money to her immediately?!"

"No, I was afraid that if the money was already in my account but I didn't give it to Jeanne, she would be resentful. That's why I was worried," Tenda explained.

It was obvious that he was lying.

Judah also did not want to waste his time on Tenda.

He turned around and said respectfully to the judge, "Your Honor, from Mr. Wadler's confession, we seriously question the authenticity of it! I have reason to suspect that this account wasn't done by Mr. Wadler himself. It was someone else who helped him prepare it and used it as evidence to frame my client."

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The judge did not express his opinion.

Josiah stood up from his seat. "Lawyer Smith, you keep saying that Jeanne was wronged. Let me ask you the same questions again. Can you clearly answer me, the trial bench, and the judge? First, why would Mr. Zimmer conspire with Mr. Wadler to frame Ms. Lawrence? What was his motive, and what benefits could he get?! Second, why did the 30 million dollars end up in Ms. Lawrence's account?"

"Actually, the answer to the second question is very simple," Judah answered, "It's because Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Wadler wanted to frame Jeanne, so they naturally transferred the money to Ms. Lawrence's account. Otherwise, if they transferred it to one of our accounts, would it even be an attempt to frame her?!"

The sarcasm in Judah's tone made Josiah feel a little embarrassed.

He gritted his teeth.

"What about the first question?"

"Shouldn't we be asking Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Wadler the first question? All of my statements now are proving that my client had never done anything like signing a dual contract for personal gain. Once my client is innocent, logically speaking, this incident is then a joint frame-up by Mr. Zimmer and Mr.

Wadler. Let me repeat my view and evidence again. First, my client didn't handle the dual contract; it was Ms. Walker who handled it. My client has no relationship with Ms. Walker, but she had a close relationship with Mr. Zimmer, so Ms. Walker couldn't have done anything illegal for my client. Second, there was no handprint in the dual contract. There are a lot of talented people in Harken, so it's easy to imitate someone's signature. Besides, the accounts in the financial statement are full of loopholes. It's obvious that they were done for the sake of accounting and aren't consistent with the real thing. It shows that this is a frame-up. Finally, my client didn't receive any notification of the transaction. My client didn't know that there was an additional 30 million dollars in her account. If the court has any objections, you can check my client's communication records through background data to see if there was any information about her logging into Swanhaven Bank, as well as a text message notification of the transaction."

Judah said everything clearly in one breath.

"All in all, this is our plea for my client's acquittal. We are defending my client's innocence and thus suspect that she was framed by the other party. As for why the other party framed my client, it should be decided in the next lawsuit."

Josiah was a little speechless.

According to logic, everything was right.

Josiah's eyes moved slightly, "After you've said so much, I admit that you have your reasons. There's also a certain legal basis. It can't be denied that there are indeed problems between Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Wadler. Even so, it can't prove Ms. Lawrence hadn't committed a crime. In the situation where Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Wadler didn't personally admit that this case has nothing to do with Ms. Lawrence, the prosecution can't assume what you've said is the truth. Now, it's very obvious that Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Wadler are adamant that it was Ms. Lawrence's doing. Again, I can't find any reason, and there's no reason in your reasoning that can explain why Mr. Zimmer and Mr. Wadler framed Ms. Lawrence out of everyone!"

"Lawyer Newton, you're right." Judah agreed.

Josiah frowned slightly.

He did not expect Judah to suddenly give in.

At that moment, he heard Judah say, "If 30 million dollars is just a drop in the bucket for my client, do you still think that my client would do something for personal gain?!"

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"If 30 million dollars is just a drop in the bucket for my client, do you still think that my client would do something for personal gain?!" Judah stared at Josiah and asked.

Josiah was stunned. "What do you mean?!"

Judah completely ignored Josiah.

He turned around and walked to the middle of the court, closer to the judges and the trial bench.

Judah asked, "Your Honor, can I ask you a few questions?"

"Sure."

"Your Honor, how many years have you been a judge?"

"15 years."

"Have you adjudicated many cases?"

"My preliminary estimate is close to a thousand cases."

"So, Your Honor, you have a lot of experience in adjudicating cases."

"Please get to the point," the judge said with a cold face.

It seemed that he was not that approachable, nor was he that easy to please.

"Understood," Judah said respectfully, "Your Honor, logically, if a person has 50,000 dollars, would she do something illegal for 3 dollars?"

The judge said bluntly, "No."

"Then if she has 5 million dollars, would she do something obviously illegal for 3,000 dollars?"

"No," the judge continued to answer.

"If it was 50 billion dollars, would she do something illegal for 30 million dollars?" Judah continued to ask.

The judge frowned.

"Your honor, logically, would she do that?"

"No! "The judge was very sure.

"Thank you for your answer, Your Honor." Judah turned his head and faced everyone in the audience.

Everyone seemed to be surprised that Judah suddenly asked those questions.

Judah said, "I believe that everyone has heard it clearly just now. If a person has 50 billion dollars in assets, it's impossible for her to do something illegal for a mere 30 million dollars. As long as the person can think straight, it's impossible for her to do it. So..."

The courtroom was silent.

It was as if everyone was waiting for an answer from Judah.

"So, my client, Ms. Lawrence, has 53 billion dollars worth of assets in her private account, which is three times more than the Lawrence Enterprise's 18 billion dollars worth of assets. Do you think that she needs to make such a small profit through the enterprise?"

Judah enunciated each word, causing everyone present to be in an uproar.

It was breaking news indeed. Everyone was in disbelief.

In the midst of the shock, Judah took out a USB flash drive and had a staff reveal one of Jeanne's account information on the spot.

On the big screen, it could be seen that Jeanne had many foreign exchange banks. After converting, the total was equivalent to 53 billion dollars.

"These are my client's bank cards. There are a total of ten foreign exchange banks. I'll hand it to the judge. Your Honor, I hope you can verify the amount again." Judah took out a stack of bank cards and passed them to a staff member.

The staff member quickly passed them to the judge.

Next, the judge ordered people to verify them.

At this moment, the courtroom was extremely quiet.

No one believed it.

It was not just Joshua, Eden, and Melody who were unwilling to believe it.

Monica was irritable.

'Isn't Jeanne supposed to be very poor?!

'Wasn't she living a miserable life abroad with George?!

'F*ck.

'Who exactly is Jeanne?!'

In less than ten minutes, the staff returned and reported the results of the verification to the judge.

The judge nodded.

Then, he said to everyone, "After verification, we confirmed that Jeanne has a total of 53 billion dollars!"

Everyone was once again in an uproar.

Monica could not hold it in anymore. She said loudly, "Jeanne, you d*mn rich woman. You lied to me!"

She looked as if she had suffered a great injustice.

Jeanne could not help but laugh.

She had not lied to Monica.

The person who insisted on buying her a car back then was not her either.

Nox, who was next to Monica, could not remain calm either.

He counted with his fingers and seemed to be unable to count. He could not help but curse in a low voice, "F*ck."

53 billion dollars.

Even Fourth Master Swan did not have so many personal assets.

Although the Swans definitely had much more than that, the assets belonged to the Swans. To put it bluntly, they belonged to Old Master Swan. Fourth Master Swan was just a worker. The assets could or could not belong to him.

'F*ck.'

Nox suddenly felt that Fourth Master Swan's eyes were sharp.

'He took a liking to such a potential stock at a glance.

'No, no, no.

'Jeanne is a high-risk stock.'

The entire courtroom was noisy.

Eden's expression was extremely ugly.

Melody, who was sitting in the corner, was so angry that her face was twisted.

Joshua could not help but ask, "53 billion dollars? How much is that?"

Eden glared at Joshua.

Joshua shut up and did not dare to speak.

In the courtroom,?the judge said solemnly, "Silence."

Only then did the scene slowly quieten down.

Judah said, "Lawyer Newton, do you have any doubts regarding the fact that my client didn't participate in the dual contract for personal gain?"

Josiah was somewhat embarrassed by Judah's question.

It was clear that as long as any one of Jeanne's accounts was shown during the case, it would be able to explain a lot of the facts. There was no need for such a long process.

At this moment, Josiah felt like he had been played.

He said coldly, "Not at the moment."

"Okay." Judah deliberately appeared to be modest. "Thank you for your approval."

Josiah's face was cold, and he did not answer.

Judah turned to the judge again. "Your Honor, this is the end of the plea for my client's acquittal. Please pass judgment on my client's case."

"Please return to your seat, counsel for the plaintiff."

"Understood."

Judah returned to his seat.

The judge said seriously, "The court will adjourn for half an hour. I and the other judges will make a final discussion and pass judgment on this case."

With that said, the judge led the people on the trial bench and left.

The moment the judge left, the scene started to become noisy.

Everyone was discussing the matter of Jeanne's personal assets of 53 billion dollars.

This was simply breaking news. Everyone was more curious about this than the case itself.

Eden's face was extremely dark.

Joshua and Jasmine did not dare to breathe loudly beside him.

At that moment, Jasmine also wished that she could kill Jeanne.

She had never imagined that Jeanne would have so many assets!

How could she have so many assets!

How could she have so much money?!

The amount was more than the total assets of the Lawrence Enterprise.

Jasmine gritted her teeth.

Jealousy made her even more twisted.

At this moment, Melody was also twisted like her.

Melody looked ferocious. Although she was wearing sunglasses, it was obvious.

Micheal, on the other hand, appeared much calmer.

He had expected that Jeanne would not be caught in the act so easily. Moreover, with Fourth Master Swan's help, Jeanne would not be finished just like that. Although he was also hoping for a fluke and hoped that Jeanne could be taken down like this. After all, Jeanne was not simple. As long as she was not one of them, she was a threat.

However, at this moment, Micheal was still a little shocked.

Who exactly was Jeanne?!

Why did she suddenly become so powerful and appear so uncontrollably?

What was her motive for appearing?!

Micheal pondered silently.

At that moment, he saw Monica sitting on the other side, seemingly agitated.

She was so agitated that she seemed to be talking to someone beside her.

It was not Finn, but Fourth Master Swan.

Micheal's eyes narrowed.

The relationship between Monica and Jeanne...

He did not seem to change his expression.

At that moment, Monica was indeed very agitated. She was teasing Fourth Master Swan. She said, "Fourth Master, I suddenly feel that it's not that Jeannie isn't good enough for you, but that you're not good enough for her."

Edward's eyes moved slightly.

From the beginning to the end, his gaze was on Jeanne. At this moment, he withdrew his gaze because of Monica's words.

Edward replied faintly, "So I'm improving myself."

He had said it long ago.

What should he do to be good enough for Jeanne?

It seemed that he had to work even harder.

Monica laughed exaggeratedly. She said, "Fourth Master, you're still the better one. Look at your nephew, he's so angry that his face is red!"

Of course, Edward was not as gossipy as Monica.

Monica said, "I think Eden, that b*stard, must be regretting his decision. Fourth Master, you can't let Eden take Jeannie away!"

Edward's eyes narrowed. "He doesn't have the ability to do that."

"I think so too." Monica echoed.

She was so excited.

At this moment, the judge and the trial bench returned to the courtroom.

Everyone instantly fell silent.

The judge sat down.

Everyone looked very serious.

"Regarding the case of Jeanne's dual contract for personal gain, Harken's Supreme Court in South Hampton City will now officially announce the verdict." The judge was incomparably solemn. He uttered firmly, "All rise!"

Everyone at the scene stood up.

They were waiting for the final verdict!