

The Ex-Husband's Revenge By Dragonsky Chapter 1873

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"Um, Darius, didn't we already establish that the manager was the culprit behind all this?" Gordon replied rather sheepishly.

"Don't try to fool me! I want to know the truth! Tell me, honestly, if you were the one behind this, or were you even involved in this at all, even just a little?" Darius fixated his steely gaze on Gordon's face, his stare so intense that Gordon could not help shuddering.

Darius knew full well that as the director of the department, Gordon was the only one who possessed full authority, and that there was no way a manager could have pulled off such an impressive feat by tampering with all of Elegante Group's products without anyone noticing!

Even if he did so, there was no way he would be able to escape Gordon's hawklike eyes!

Darius was certain that Gordon was at least involved in this somehow and likely received some advantage out of this!

All in all, there was no way that Gordon was not responsible for any of this!

"It wasn't me!" Gordon protested as calmly as he could. There was no way he could admit the truth to Darius!

"Alright then! I can't believe how stupid you are to continue clinging to your lies even at a time like this!" Darius snickered. He deliberately dismissed everyone instead of confronting him in front of his employees to save Gordon's face.

After all, Gordon was his brother-in-law, and he was hoping that by giving Gordon a chance, he would come clean with the truth!

Even if Gordon was the culprit behind all this, he would still find a way to go easy on Gordon's punishment, considering that they were relatives by marriage!

However, Gordon still refused to admit it, and as angry as he was, he could not help feeling disappointed in him!

"I'm telling the truth, Darius! This had nothing to do with me at all. Please trust me. I'm innocent," Gordon tried to continue lying his way out of this.

"Shut up! Do you think I'm a three-year-old child?" Darius erupted when he heard this, and with a swipe of his arm, a surge of powerful energy barreled straight toward Gordon!

"Thud!"

Gordon did not see this coming at all and could not dodge in time. His entire body was thrown backward against the conference table, letting out a deafening slam as he crumpled onto the ground.

Thankfully, Darius was just trying to let out his anger and did not mean to hurt Gordon at all.

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"I'm warning you, Gordon, this is the last straw! This won't be the last you hear from me, should you dare to stir up any more trouble!" Darius scoffed, then turned and stormed out of the room in a huff.

"Rats!" Gordon's expression was dark as he watched Darius' retreating figure. A

glimmer of malice flashed through his eyes.

He could not understand why, despite being his brother-in-law, Darius was so untrusting of him and would rather believe in an outsider over him!

Not only that, but he even dared to utilize his authority and demote him as a punishment!

Gordon could not help growing even more resentful of Darius at the thought of this. However, unbeknownst to him, Darius already discovered his involvement in this and was just trying to lure him into admitting his mistake. If he did so, he would gladly have given Gordon a second chance!

However, not only did Gordon not express any remorse, he even continued to lie and deny the truth!

This was what infuriated Darius the most.

Unfortunately, selfish people like Gordon could never understand Darius' generosity. As soon as he returned to his office, Darius picked up his phone and dialed Leon's number.

"President Wolf, I've already investigated this, and the problem rose in our Distribution Department," he explained everything to Leon with an apologetic look.

As for Gordon's involvement in this, he decided to withhold this information from Leon. Gordon was still his brother-in-law, after all, and even if he was the culprit behind all this, he could never hand Gordon over to be punished by Leon, not to mention the fact that Gordon was yet to admit his involvement in all this!

In conclusion, Darius was inclined to keep things on the down low and take care of them in a civilized manner.

"Um," Leon was silent after hearing this. He already began to suspect that Gordon was the mastermind behind this, but unfortunately, he did not have proof of this.

Since Darius already got to the bottom of this and discovered that one of the managers of the Distribution Department was the culprit, there was nothing he could do apart from accepting it.

After all, he could not possibly demand that Darius continue investigating when he already gave him an answer!

This would not be a fair request for either him or the Hughes!

"I apologize for this inconvenience, President Wolf. I understand that our mistake has cost Elegante Group a significant financial loss. I have a suggestion; in the future, Hughes Group is willing to return five percent of the profits on all of Elegante Group's sales from now on, as compensation for your loss," Darius was earnest when he said this.

After all, there was not much profit to be gained from the distribution of these products, and he was willing to make this small sacrifice in return for leaving this all in the past.

"No need! Let's just settle this right here and right now! Mister Hughes, all I hope is that you will take this as a lesson and tighten your quality assurance process to avoid this happening a second time!" Leon replied solemnly.

Joel was the mastermind behind all this, and now that Yuri already went to give him a piece of his mind, there was no point continuing to pursue Gordon's involvement in this anymore!

Besides, Darius was always close to Yuri, and considering how sincere Darius

appeared to be, Leon was inclined to forgive and forget!

“Thank you for your understanding. Mister Wolf! Don’t worry, I guarantee that none of this will happen ever again! As for my compensation, this is just a symbol of my sincerity and a means of compensation for the losses Elegante Group has suffered. I do hope that you will consider taking me up on my offer!” Darius insisted.

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“Well, alright then, if you insist.’ After some consideration, Leon finally decided to relent. After all, this debacle indeed cost Elegante Group a significant loss, and even almost cost them their reputation!

Therefore, it made sense that Darius would want to offer a token of compensation, and he might as well take Darius up on his offer.

“Yes, so that’s settled then!” Darius let out a small sigh of relief.

He understood that Leon’s willingness to accept Hughes Group’s compensation signified his intention to forgive them, and he could not help feeling relieved at this.

With that, the two of them hung up the phone.

Hiltons Corporation.

After getting his hands on Elegante Group’s trade secret, Joel returned immediately to the office and handed the documents over to the employees at the Research and Development Department to start producing imitates of Elegante Group’s products.

Hiltons Corporation was the largest business in the Southern region’s cosmeceutical industry and possessed a top-notch Research and Development team. After getting their hands on Elegante Group’s trade secret, he was certain that it would not take long for them to successfully manufacture Elegante Group’s products for their own!

With that, the employees of the Research and Development Department then got down to work under Joel’s careful supervision.

Finally, after two hours of testing and enhancing, they soon successfully created exact replicas of Elegante Group’s products!

“Mister Hiltons, we are pleased to announce that the development process was a great success. We’ve managed to develop and produce exact replicas of sixteen of Elegante Group’s products,’ the director of the Research and Development team, Mister Shaw, declared, grinning from ear to ear as he placed the products on Joel’s desk.

“Splendid, splendid! I never expected the process to be so smooth! God must be blessing us!” Joel erupted into a burst of hearty laughter. He initially thought that Elegante Group’s trade secrets would surely be complicated to decipher and would take them some time to imitate. He never once dreamed that it would only take a couple of hours for his men to crack the formula and successfully produce exact replicas of Elegante Group’s products!

This was going far smoother than he initially anticipated.

Unbeknownst to him, Leon was not at all adept at formulating cosmeceutical products, and because of this, he developed products that were simple without any added secrets or tactics to prevent his recipes from getting stolen!

Whereas on the other hand, the members of Hiltons Corporation’s Research and Development team were experts in this field, and thus it did not take them much effort to successfully crack their code!

“Mister Shaw, get someone to bring the testing equipment over to test out the products. I'd like to see if the effects are indeed identical to those that Elegante Group has manufactured!” Joel instructed with an excited look on his face.

“Yes, sir!” Mister Shaw chirruped in response. Then, he gestured for a few members of his team to bring over the testing equipment and started running some tests on their newly developed products.

“You just wait, Leon Wolf! Now that we've successfully replicated your products, it won't be long before we take you down!” Joel sneered, a glint of malice flashing through his eyes.

Although Leon successfully saved Elegante Group's reputation and even managed to bring them to even bigger fame during the process, Elegante Group was still a new company with a weak foundation in the Southern region. Therefore, it would be as easy as ABC for Hiltons Corporation to defeat them, so long as they manage to manufacture exact replicas of their products, down to their effectiveness.

When that happened, they would be able to reap the benefits of Elegante Group's success!

One could only imagine Joel's delight at the idea of this, but unfortunately, his happiness did not last long. What happened next shocked him to his core!

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“Buzz-”

The report of the first product soon came out.

Mister Shaw could not help frowning when he glanced at the report.

“How are the results of the test, Mister Shaw? Is it significantly better than our original products?” Joel quickly asked.

“Yes, sir, the new products are indeed better than our own, but,” Mister Shaw began. However, before he could even finish his sentence, he was cut off by Joel.

“Hahaha- I knew it! Leon Wolf, I can't believe how big of a moron you were to allow people into your company and look at your trade secrets willy-nilly! What an idiot! Now that I've successfully replicated your products, well see what you can do about that!” Joel could not hold in his joy any longer and could not help bursting into laughter at this.

“Um, Mister Hiltons, although the replicas are indeed a little better than our original products, the difference isn't that much at all,” Mister Shaw continued after a moment's hesitation.

This came as a shock to Joel; he immediately snapped back to reality. “Not much of a difference? What does that mean?” he asked rather dubiously.

“Well, according to the results, there are indeed some ingredients of Elegante Group's that are about two or three percent superior to those of Hiltons Corporation's, but there are also some ingredients of ours that are significantly better than theirs. In conclusion, both companies' products are somewhat on par with each other and do not have much of a quality difference at all.” Mister Shaw explained.

“What?” Joel could not believe his ears. “This isn't possible! Elegante Group's products have been known to be far superior to ours, by more than five times! How can it be possible that our products don't have much difference from theirs?” Joel's expression darkened at this.

Since the consumer rights department already revealed the results of their evaluation of Elegante Group's products to the public, he was certain that all 16 of Elegante Group's products were far superior in efficiency as compared to Hiltons Corporation's, by a significant margin!

However, now that he successfully replicated their products, he could not believe that the replicas would turn out to be on par with Hiltons Corporation's, which was a far cry from Elegante Group's usual quality!

This was something that he never anticipated would happen!

"Mister Shaw, could there possibly be a mistake in the results? Please test it again!

Test out the remaining fifteen products as well, and don't be afraid to go as detailed as you can!" Joel was unwilling to believe this.

"Yes, sir." Mister Shaw gladly obliged. Then, he and the rest of the team proceeded to conduct a second test and analyze the remainder of the products as well.

After a long time, the results came out, and were unequivocal-his initial hypothesis was true!

The ingredients and efficacy of the 16 replicas were nothing at all similar to Elegante Group's real products, and the difference was as stark as day and night!

"How can this be?" Joel widened his eyes in shock, scrutinizing the report. He felt as though his entire body was struck by lightning.

He could not understand how this was possible, considering Hiltons Corporation created 100% replicas of Elegante Group's products!

How was it possible that the replicas would turn out so differently from the real deal?

This should not have happened!