

Chapter 06 Divorce

Melanie wore a wry smile. "I said if you want me to sign it, you have to accept my condition. Be a qualified husband. Love me, for two months."

"Melanie Earley! If it weren't for you, Vivi wouldn't have been hurt." Everett's words stabbed into Mela's heart like a knife. She felt her heart so dead bleeding.

She restrained her anger, collected her courage to confront Everett word by word. "Me? Is it me who forced Vivian to marry Ander Wyatt? Is it me who caused her divorce? Is it me who order her ex-husband to beat her? Or is it me who told her to seduce my husband?"

SNAP! He slapped her hard in face before she could finish her words. Melanie stumbled and fell backward to the ground. For a split second she could only hear roaring in ears. Mela's eyes reddened and widened in disbelief. She couldn't accept that Everett slapped her because of Vivian Jacob

Everett's right hand trembled slightly as he realized what he had done. His eyes drifted away from Mela's swollen face. "Even if your refuse now, I have my way to make you sign it." With these words left, he fled away from the spot hurriedly.

Melanie struggled to get up from the ground. She choked back her tears and mumbled, "Why can't you believe me? Vivian left you not because of your 'betrayal', but because of her ambition to seek power and status. She never gave your her true love... Why can't you understand

it?"

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Several days later.

The news was being broadcast on television.

"President of Connors Corporation, Everett Connors, overtly turned against and even squashed Wyatt Corporation. It's learned that the reason behind conflicts of the two business giants lies in a woman, Vivian Jacob, who is also Ander Wyatt's ex-wife. Vivian is certified to be a victim of domestic violence, enduring Ander's insults for quite some time. Now Ander Wyatt has been put in jail... It's said that Everett and Vivian are childhood sweethearts. After being separated for various reasons, they are now finally reunited as a couple..."

The words "reunited as a couple" struck Melanie with a sense of despair. Her marriage to Everett had always been kept secret from the public eye. But now Everett had publicly revealed his happy and beautiful love story with Vivian.

Melanie curled up on the sofa, feeling her life slowly slipping away. It's like the conviction that had kept her going was fading fast.

Grandpa Ian paid her a visit this afternoon.

He could scarcely keep in his indignation. "Everett makes light of our family reputation! He disgraced me by letting the media report his shameful behaviors!"

Melanie appeared calm, and silently made tea for Ian.

Ian noticed her pale complexion and was somewhat puzzled. "You don't look well, Melanie. Take care of yourself. Have a good rest."

Melanie's hand trembled as she mumbled a reply. Her heart was filled with bitterness. Even grandpa Ian had noticed her pale face, but her husband, who was with her day in and day out, had not.

A person who doesn't love you doesn't care for you.

"Vivian Jacob is a complete opposite of a decent lady. Based on my investigation, Ander Wyatt is not sheer violent. Vivian has been cheating on him for the past four years without repentance. It nearly drove him crazy!"

Melanie blinked her eyes. It's like there was a barren wasteland in the depths of her eyes, reminding people of only loneliness. How could Everett turn a blind eye to the truth that even grandpa Ian could easily uncover?

"Now Wyatt family is on the decline, which arouses Vivian's fear of losing status and wealth. That's why she uses all means to hold onto Everett. I won't let such a scheming woman marry into our family." Ian continued.

Melanie turned a deaf ear to Ian's following words. So many thoughts whirled around in her mind, but suddenly it dawned on her something and she breathed a sigh of relief. "Grandpa, I want to divorce Everett."

The word 'divorce' was like a heavy weight on her tongue, as if each syllable was a struggle to escape her lips.

"Sorry. What did you say?" Ian exclaimed in shock.

It was not really because grandpa Ian concerned much about Melanie that he stopped their divorce. It was actually Earley Corporate that grandpa Ian really cared about. Earley family was also a renowned and influential family, comparable to Connors family. Even though Earley Corporate had declined after her parents passed away, it was still a significant fortune.

"I have transferred all my shares of Earley Corporate to Everett, and I am willing to sign away my community property interest." Melanie said firmly.

A flash of guilt and shame touched Ian's face. "What are you doing this for?"

"The only thing I've been chasing for all the time is his love..."