

Chapter 9 She was just an eyesore!

Vanessa gracefully stepped down from the car and strode to the court with her head held high while the chilly breeze hitting her made her silky hair flow freely, and she brushed it behind her ear with her slender fingers keeping a gentle expression on her face while all the gazes nearby glanced at her in awe with her dazzling beauty.

Her every step displayed her confidence and she had an imposing aura lurking in the shadows, although she appeared tender which made her even more attractive.

When her steps finally halted in front of the court, she eyed her watch, and a satisfying curve settled on her lips since she was five minutes earlier than her appointed time.

By the time she reached the arena where the divorce cases were handled, she was the only one present, but her eyes roamed across the large queue on the other side where marriage certificates would be issued and a panging pain hit her chest as the realization sunk in that she was really going to get a divorce with Austin Jones!

Vanessa stood there with a relaxed expression on her face when she saw there was no trace of Austin since she knew Austin would be there on time because he wasn't the type to be late and she knew him well in the past three years of their married life.

"Why wouldn't he when he clearly never loved me and it was his chance to get separated from this troublesome marriage!" Vanessa pondered and a wretched smile settled on her lips but she quickly hid her emotions and appeared calm.

When the clock hit nine, the doors of the court opened but Austin Jones was nowhere near her sight yet!

She was wondering what was wrong with him because he was a man who valued punctuality a lot, but on that day, he was late!

After another fifteen minutes, Vanessa was becoming impatient and began tapping her feet as she was struggling with whether to give him a call or not, but soon heard the clicking sound of leather shoes and involuntarily she tilted her head and found Austin coming into the hall,

in his usual custom made suit.

His handsome face was cold and emotionless, his hair was perfectly tousled, and not a strand was out of place, his well-trained muscles were hugging his suit, making all the women present in the court hall drool over him as if he had directly landed onto the earth from a fantasy movie.

Sensing a sharp glare, he moved his head aside and saw Vanessa from the corner of his eyes and his feet automatically drove to her with his cold eyes while his jawline turned so sharp as if that itself would cut her into pieces.

Noticing the aloofness emanating from him, Vanessa remained unaffected. If he eyed her like this a week ago, she would possibly still feel hurt as she had been feeling in the past three years and she had lost count of the number of times she had wasted her valuable tears for him, but not anymore!

Vanessa cleared her throat and muttered in a formal tone as if this was just a business deal but not their divorce, "shall we proceed?"

Peeping at her calm frame, he frowned with his narrowed gaze, "don't you want to make any changes in the divorce agreement?"

Hearing him, she swiftly rejected the idea and immediately blurted out, "nope."

With that said, she took out the agreement from her handbag and handed it to Austin.

Eyeing the document, his gaze darkened while his hands held the agreement tightly that his knuckles turned white, "are you sure you want to go with this agreement?"

Without giving it a second thought, she replied monotonously in her crisp tone, "yes."

She was foolish back then and married him in a hurry without considering all the odds but now she wasn't the same and she wouldn't do it wilfully if she hadn't thought of everything!

Listening to her unwavering response, he scowled while his lips were pressed into a thin line, "alright then. If that was what you wanted, we can finish the formalities."

After the words left his mouth, he mused, "you were the one who

proposed it. So, don't regret it later!"

Hearing his affirmation, Vanessa gave a nod and moved to the nearby counter to wrap up the much needed procedures to finalize their divorce with a nonchalant expression on her face making his insides twist in an unsettling feeling but he didn't understand what was wrong with him and kept a poker face.

Pretty soon, they signed off the agreement and it was sealed with an official stamp on it, indicating their divorce was complete and they would be strangers from then on!

It hardly took five minutes to turn their marriage certificate into a divorce certificate!

But Vanessa didn't have the slightest guilt on her face while Austin wasn't really calm as he felt something that belonged to him was taken away abruptly, but he didn't understand what it was!

Vanessa elegantly strode away from Austin after she grabbed the divorce certificate, and never once she turned back to look at him, and the reality sunk in his head that from that moment onwards, Vanessa was no longer a part of his life, and their paths would never cross.

Well, that was what he wanted all these years, wasn't it?

So, when he finally got something he wanted, what was there to dwell on instead of feeling happy!

With that, he naturally didn't want to see her either and turned back to go in his own way.

In his eyes, Vanessa was probably a scheming bitch who was responsible for his mistress's demise!

Anyway, Vanessa wasn't bothered by it, since it didn't matter what he thought as their relationship had already ended, and they would never have a future together.

When Vanessa was on the road looking to hail a taxi, she found Austin Jones's tall frame, and for a second she was astounded to see him still present at the venue.

"Wasn't he usually very busy?" She pondered but brushed off her thoughts aside since it was none of her business!

As she was in a daze, she heard his sharp tone, "Isabella lost her child

because of you. Although we were divorced now, shouldn't you visit the hospital and pay your respect to the unborn baby and apologize?"

Listening to his words, Vanessa's blood boiled even though the cold wind was blowing in full force.

She had never anticipated hearing those words from him again. But here, he had again proved how wrong she was!

She actually thought he might feel pity for her sufferings, but alas, who was she for Austin to even show pity?

As the realization dawned on her, she had an urge to laugh at herself for the ironic married life she had led in the past years.

Vanessa raised her head and peeped at him with her long eyelashes and let out a soft laugh, "alright. Since I'm held responsible for it, how can I turn my back without paying them a visit?"

As she finished her words, he scowled, since he didn't actually understand what she intended to say.

With a snort, she continued while tucking her hair strands behind her ear, "also, to show my sincerity, I will give Isabella a big gift before I leave. So, you can rest assured."

After she said that, she gave a meaningful glance to him one last time and strode to the other side of the road where a taxi was waiting for her.

She quickly hopped into it and stared at him coldly as the car drove past him.

Eyeing her leaving, he felt a little irritated while his brows twitched. With quick steps, he leaned on his car and lit up a cigarette while his other hand was tucked in his pocket.

Thinking back to the events, he reminisced the day he had married Vanessa, and he never thought of exactly divorcing her all these years.

But, now they were indeed divorced just in a flash!

Austin wasn't gloomy about their divorce because to him, Vanessa wasn't worthy to be his wife.

He always felt she wasn't a match to his standards in any aspect, so he thought this divorce would be for their good.

But when his eyes landed on the divorce certificate in his pocket, he felt

uncomfortable, and suddenly the taste of the cigarette had become sour, ruining his tastebuds.

With a sigh, he threw the cigarette aside and raked his hair through his fingers, and closed his eyes as his heart felt heavy.


Shaking his head in annoyance for even thinking like that, he muttered under her breath, "let her go. She was just an eyesore to the eye."

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Chapter 10 Explosive News!

After a really long day, Vanessa got down from the car and moved into Fiona's house while a cold gleam was dancing in her brown orbs.

Seeing Vanessa was already back, Fiona, who settled herself on the sofa while watching television, was surprised and couldn't help but take another glance at Vanessa and eyed her watch.

"Wow, you were awfully fast!" Fiona commented, making Vanessa's eyebrows twitch, but she didn't respond and sat on the opposite chair and grabbed the bottle of water.

Quickly, she gulped down as if she was deserted for a week making Fiona chuckle and asked while enthusiasm was lurking in her eyes, "Did you get a divorce?"

Hearing it, Vanessa stopped what she was doing and gave a slight nod while her gaze was focused on the television, but Fiona wasn't satisfied as she was eager to hear everything that happened at the court.

"Show me the divorce certificate!" Fiona demanded while Vanessa was getting a headache with her excitement, but she couldn't do anything to Fiona and shook her head lazily and handed the divorce certificate to Fiona, making her eyes crinkle and she muttered under her breath, "finally, you were divorced!"

From the day Vanessa married Austin, Fiona was waiting to see them get divorced since she knew that asshole Austin didn't love Vanessa and mercilessly crumbled her heart and even had a mistress shamelessly!

As her eyes landed on the divorce certificate, Fiona treated it as if it was a treasure, and her eyes watered when she tilted her head to see Vanessa, and she blurted out, "It's really huge good news, Vanessa! Divorcing Austin was the best decision you have taken in these three years."

Hearing Fiona saying those words made Vanessa emotional, and she squinted while her eyelashes trembled, and she uttered in a daze, "I know."

"Alright! You are a single beautiful woman from now on. Let's go and

celebrate this memorable day!" Fiona grabbed her hand and said excitedly, but Vanessa shook her head, "I promise we would celebrate it, but not now."

Listening to her declination, Fiona pouted as if she was wronged, and Vanessa sighed, trying to reason with Fiona, "It's been three years since I have gone home and Dad said he and Mom would be waiting for my arrival."

"Moreover, I miss them too," Vanessa muttered slowly as the pain she hid in her heart surfaced, if Fiona didn't pay attention, she wouldn't even hear them!

Vanessa had always felt guilty that she abandoned her family for Austin Jones and wasn't dutiful to her family.

Now that she had settled her accounts in New York, she wanted to go as soon as possible and shower her parents with her love to cover up her three years of loss in their lives.

As Fiona understood the reason, she clapped, "alright. You need to go home first. I will arrange the party another time."

"You are awesome, Fiona!" Vanessa tried to butter her up but Fiona wrinkled her nose in disgust and shooed her while sticking her tongue out, "go away from my house. I wanted to be alone and savor my moments here!"

Vanessa chuckled and patted Fiona's shoulder while she mocked, "savoring moments? Are you going to bring a man, Fiona?"

Fiona almost choked hearing it, and cursed, "damn you, Vanessa!"

Vanessa's eyes gleamed as she teased Fiona, and seeing the blush on Fiona's cheeks, she laughed heartily.

Soon, Vanessa packed her luggage and was ready to leave New York but then she remembered the gift she had prepared for the Jones family and Isabella Green!

She turned towards Fiona and added, "can you arrange for someone to release the audio files I have sent you?"

Listening to her question, Fiona raised her brows while her lips curled upwards and nodded in excitement, "of course! I want to see their demise."

Since Austin Jones wanted her to apologize so badly, she would do that!

But she wasn't sure how Austin would react after he saw her 'apology'.

Anyhow, Isabella deserves an apology for her loss, wouldn't she? So she would let them see her 'apology' because all these years she had endured everything the Jones and Isabella had put her through, but not anymore!

She wouldn't back off and become soft hearted to the people who hurt her!

Alas, she was really excited to see Isabella's reaction, but she wouldn't be there to enjoy it. What a pity!

When she was lost in her thoughts, Fiona's cheerful voice broke her trance and brought her back, "I have already arranged everything the moment I got the files. I was just waiting for your word to implement it."

With a slight pause, Fiona continued, "Since you gave the green signal, I would let the news go viral on the internet, and let the chaos erupt in the Jones family."

"That would be perfect." Vanessa added while she gave a side hug to Fiona and added, "I'm going to the airport. Would you come to have a meal with me before I leave?"

Fiona had a bad premonition and asked instantly, "don't say as if this was a goodbye!"

Seeing Vanessa stand still without retorting, Fiona gasped and couldn't help but question her, "won't you come back to New York again?"

"What do I have here? What should I do here when my home is in Los Angeles?" Vanessa stated grimly.

Fiona was silent for a minute trying to understand what Vanessa had said but she felt Vanessa was correct.

Although her lips were pressed into a thin line, Fiona patted Vanessa's shoulder in appreciation, because she had missed this side of Vanessa all these years. The decisive and capable Vanessa!

Peeping at Vanessa, Fiona asked, deep in thoughts, "could you wait for me while I shift my work to LA?"

Vanessa narrowed her gaze and stared at her when Fiona continued, "I don't like it here. I want to move back to LA too!"

With a gulp, while licking her lips, Vanessa muttered, disbelief was written across her face, "but you have put a lot of effort and achieved so much here? How can you give it up?"

Fiona huffed in annoyance, "I am not making much money with this studio! What was the point in maintaining it when I was barely making the ends meet?"

Vanessa blinked her big amber pools and shook her head while her nose scrunched up. She knew the little money Fiona was earning wouldn't be sufficient for them because they were used to squandering money from their childhood.

Although the money Fiona earned was more than a middle class family's annual income, it was still very less for Fiona.

In fact, Fiona had established the studio in New York only to accompany Vanessa three years ago because she was not at ease with her marriage!

Moreover, knowing Vanessa would refuse her if she got to know her reason, Fiona opened the studio as a cover up, but she had become successful with her talent.

Later, Vanessa found it out, but was deeply moved by her but didn't do anything since Fiona was so damn stubborn!

Understanding Fiona and comprehending the hidden meaning behind it, Vanessa mumbled an 'Okay' because she knew how much Fiona had helped her all these years and she didn't have the heart to stop Fiona.

Later, they went to their usual restaurant and had their lunch, all the while chit chatting and laughing.

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After Vanessa boarded her flight, Fiona made sure the news was spread out like a wildfire and several influential media accounts released the same video and audio tapes.

They were all about the scandal in the Jones family that occurred a few days ago. The video was about the incident when Isabella was pushed down the stairs by Vanessa and made her unborn baby die.

They even put on the titles like, "was Vanessa really innocent?"

"was Vanessa framed and accused wrongly?"

"Isabella, the first young lady of the Jones family, was the mistress of Austin Jones?"

However, the contents of the video clearly showed Vanessa's innocence as it recorded how Isabella had purposefully slid herself down the stairs and it also showed how Vanessa had tried to save her!

To top it off, the audio in that clip was extremely crisp since there weren't any people in the hall with them at that time.

"Vanessa, I have never seen such a foolish woman as you! Did you really think Austin loves you? Not even in your dreams because he only had me in his heart!"

"You are just a tool to cover up our forbidden relationship. Don't over exaggerate your importance!"

"Vanessa, I don't want this baby! What would you think will happen to you if I say you pushed me when I slid down the stairs and let the baby die? How will Austin treat you?"

"Vanessa, you just wait to be thrown out of the Jones family!"

In addition to it, several audio clips where Isabella tried to make things difficult for Vanessa and warned her in private had been released.

"Vanessa, know your place and behave! You can't have Austin even if you die!"

"Vanessa, Austin had his eyes only for me. That is the hard truth, accept it! Or else you are destined to suffer in my hands."

"No one would believe in your words even if you begged them if I say you were responsible for the fall!"

"Were you angry? What can you do to me even if you are angry? You are just a trophy wife on paper with no importance!"

"Who do you think you are to even marry Austin Jones? Desperate bitch!"

"Are you worthy to be a member of the Jones family? You pathetic piece of shit!"

"Slums like you didn't deserve to even step into the Jones family! Let alone become the second young lady!"

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The moment the video and Audio clips were released, the city was in an uproar, and it instantly became a piece of explosive news on the internet.

The incident that the first young master of the Jones family had murdered wasn't even subsided yet when the scandal 'his unborn child was forced to die' became a hit.


But now that the situation was totally the opposite of their expectations, how can it not turn into viral news?

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