

## Chapter 85 Michelle Was Arrested

"Can you tell me the name of the company she works for?" Rhonda sensed something off about Michelle.

"I'm not sure. Is something wrong?" Leonard recalled the message Rhonda sent him the previous night. "I didn't see your message until this morning. She's been wearing a diamond watch lately. I asked her about it, but she wouldn't say, claiming it wasn't my concern."

"That watch is worth around a hundred thousand dollars. I saw it on her Facebook and thought it was a gift from her family."

"You know what, I just remembered something. Since we're getting ready for the wedding, I think it's only right that I formally visit her parents and discuss our plans. I've mentioned it before, but she kept putting it off, saying her parents are too busy. She wants to wait until they have more time."

Leonard added, puzzled, "To this day, I don't even know if her parents are aware that we're getting married."

"Do you have her parents' phone number?"

Reminded by Rhonda, Leonard called Michelle's father and put the call on speaker.

"Hello, Mr. Drayton. This is Leonard."

"What can I help you with, Leonard?" Michelle's father responded indifferently.

"The thing is, Michelle and I..."

Before Leonard could finish, Michelle's father interrupted him. "Michelle has informed me about the situation between the two of you. She believes you're not a good match. I'm sorry, but there's nothing I can do."

As her father, I must respect her decision. I hope you understand."

Leonard exchanged bewildered glances with Rhonda, who gestured for him to end the call.

"Alright. Sorry for bothering you, Mr. Drayton."

Once they hung up, the two stared at each other, confused.

"It appears Michelle hasn't informed her family about the wedding," Rhonda said, feeling a mixture of emotions.

"So she doesn't want to marry me after all." Leonard's expression grew sadder. "No wonder her attitude towards me has changed recently."

"Leonard, don't jump to conclusions. Why don't you talk with her?"

"Thank you, Rhonda. I'm sorry for causing you to worry about me again." Leonard's thoughts had taken a turn for the worse.

In the afternoon, Rhonda drove Leonard back to his home.

On her way to the Sloan family's residence, Fiona sent her several videos showing George being escorted out of the office.

He was approached by the police on suspicion of engaging in prostitution.

Originally, George had arrived at the company to personally appeal to Eden for leniency.

He didn't anticipate being apprehended by the police in front of numerous onlookers, which was the height of humiliation.

Isabella also became the object of ridicule.

Over the years, she had been overbearing at the company and had accumulated many enemies. With the tables turned, they seized the opportunity to retaliate.

Within a day, Eden received a lot of anonymous letters accusing George and Isabella of accepting bribes, skimming employee bonuses, and more in recent years. The letters even included evidence. Eden was furious after reading them.

Fiona sent several messages to Rhonda, but received no response.

Unable to contain her excitement for the gossip, she called Rhonda directly.

"Hey, did you see the videos and messages I sent you?" Fiona was slightly excited. "You should've seen it this afternoon! The whole office wanted to witness the spectacle. Talk about karma!"

Rhonda, disheartened by the events at Eden Accounting, didn't wish to comment on others anymore.

"George and Isabella are in deep trouble now. Rhonda, are you planning to return to the company?"

"No, I won't go back. Even if George and Isabella are gone, there will still be people like Ella. I've had enough of that so-called office culture." Rhonda was determined to leave.

"But if you quit, you're giving them what they want." Fiona tried to persuade Rhonda, "If I were you, I wouldn't leave. The more they despise me, the more I'd make my presence felt. I'd love to piss them off."

"There's no point in wasting time on people who don't matter. If we belong to different worlds, I'll simply avoid them."

"You're being too naive. People like Ella are everywhere. How can you escape them all? Don't be scared of people like them, and don't run away. If you show strength, they won't dare provoke you."

Rhonda let out a sigh. Unlike Fiona, she didn't have the bravery to confront conflicts.

"I have some good news for you, though." Fiona continued, "I heard that Margret submitted your tax-saving plan to Mr. Hawkins. He seems quite impressed. Now all you need to do is wait for Sloan Corporation's response. If your plan is approved, you'll leave Ella and the others embarrassed. Doesn't that sound amazing? Plus, you'll receive a one hundred thousand dollar bonus! Imagine the regret if you were to resign now."

Mention of the bonus piqued Rhonda's interest. Additionally, participating in Sloan Corporation's project would be a unique opportunity for her.

"But it's not about whether I want to resign now. The company fired me, thinking my personal life was a mess." Rhonda couldn't help but feel angry discussing it.

"Don't let it get to you. Even though you haven't been here long, everyone knows the kind of person you are. I suspect Isabella started the rumor. Plus, our team members didn't stand up for you this time. Don't worry. I believe Margret can handle it. Just wait for her to call you back to work."

"Did Margret say something to you?"

"You're so perceptive. She told me to assure you there's nothing to worry about. With George fired and Isabella under investigation, they won't bother you again. This storm will pass."

Finally, Rhonda agreed to consider Fiona's suggestion.

After ending the call, Rhonda felt a wave of melancholy wash over her.

While heading home, Rhonda's thoughts were consumed by the situation. Suddenly, Leonard called to inform her that Michelle had been arrested by the police, but they hadn't shared any specifics.

Rhonda was shocked. She consoled Leonard and then called Eliam.

Eliam advised her not to worry. He'd have someone look into it and update her on the situation.

Eliam's composed voice had a calming effect on Rhonda, and she relaxed. She returned home and waited for further updates.

At 9:30 that evening, Eliam arrived back home.

Rhonda immediately asked if he had any updates.

Eliam informed her that Michelle was taken away under suspicion of stealing trade secrets from Eden Accounting.

"Eden Accounting?" Rhonda's thoughts turned to George.

Eliam affectionately tapped her nose and said, "You're spot on. She conspired with George to steal Eden Accounting's client data. They got their hands on over ten thousand files."

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"How did you know I was thinking of George?" Rhonda was in awe of Eliam. "And how did you obtain such detailed information?"

"One of my classmates is a police officer. Gathering intel wasn't too difficult for me," Eliam said casually.

He refrained from disclosing that Michelle had been George's mistress for three years and had undergone two abortions.

"Do you know who they sold the stolen client information to?"

Eliam couldn't help but admire Rhonda. She always managed to inadvertently pinpoint the key point of the matter.

