

THREE DAYS LATER...



MOTHER.
FATHER.

I WANT YOU TO
KNOW I APPRECIATE
EVERYTHING YOU DID
FOR ME.

AS PAINFUL
AS IT WAS--I
KNOW YOU WERE ONLY
ACTING IN MY BEST
INTERESTS.

I LOVE YOU
BOTH.

AND
I'LL SEE YOU
SOON.



GIA, I'M
SURE YOU DON'T
REMEMBER ME, I'M--

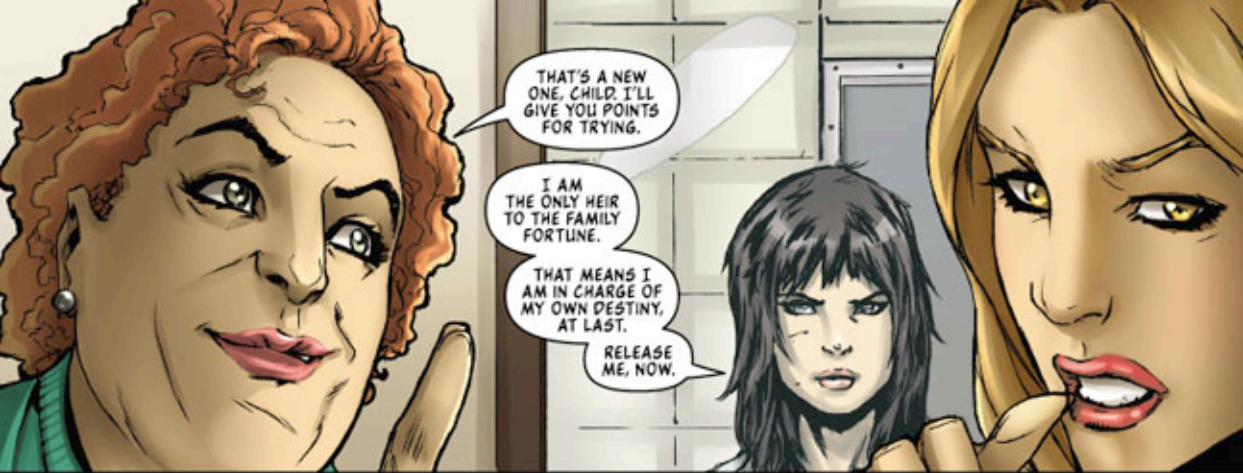
MR. CONKLIN.

HOWARD
CONK--YES,
CONKLIN.

I AM
SORRY FOR YOUR
LOSS.



I AM YOUR
FAMILY'S
LAWYER, GIA.
WE NEED TO
TALK.



THAT'S A NEW ONE, CHILD. I'LL GIVE YOU POINTS FOR TRYING.

I AM THE ONLY HEIR TO THE FAMILY FORTUNE.

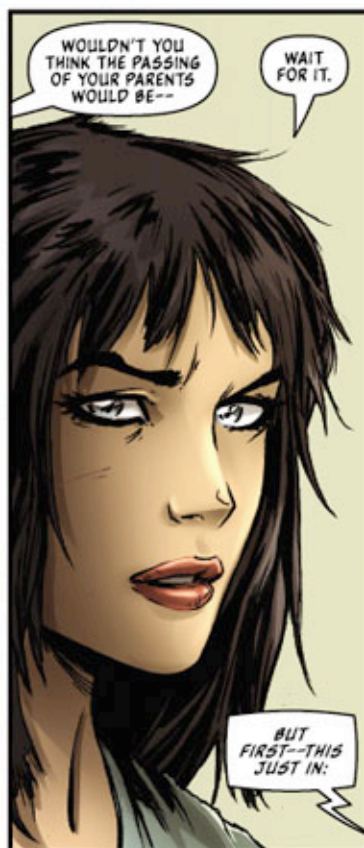
THAT MEANS I AM IN CHARGE OF MY OWN DESTINY, AT LAST.

RELEASE ME, NOW.



--AND NEXT UP IS LOCAL WEATHER AND THE FIVE DAY FORECAST.

THERE'S NOTHING ON THE NEWS ABOUT IT.



WOULDN'T YOU THINK THE PASSING OF YOUR PARENTS WOULD BE--

WAIT FOR IT.

BUT FIRST--THIS JUST IN:



BILLIONAIRE PHILANTHROPISTS EDGAR AND ENID SORENTINO DIED AN HOUR AGO WHEN THEIR TWO-PASSENGER PLANE CRASHED IN AN AIRFIELD OUTSIDE OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

THE FORMER HIGH-TECH MAVENS LEAVE BEHIND ONLY A DAUGHTER, GIA SORENTINO, WHO IS EXPECTED TO INHERIT HER LATE PARENTS' GLOBAL INITIATIVE.

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HEAVEN HELP US ALL.



GIRL, YOU SHOULD REALLY COME IN OUT OF THE RAIN.

I GUESS SHE DOESN'T HAVE TO IF SHE DOESN'T WANT TO.

I MEAN, SHE'S OUR BOSS NOW--RIGHT?

KR-KA-KRACKOOM!

THE POOR CHILD--

