



"I GUESS YOU ALREADY KNOW WHERE THIS ENDS FOR YOU. IN A DEEP HOLE IN THE GROUND."



ONLY THING YOU CONTROL IS HOW YOU GET THERE.

QUICK OR SLOW.



YOU GIVE ME WHAT I NEED, YOU MAKE GOOD, I CAN MAKE IT SO YOU WON'T FEEL A THING.



PLEASE.

PLEASE DON'T.









IN OTHER NEWS, SENATOR ROBERT BRADY STRUGGLES TO RALLY SUPPORT ON THE HILL FOR HIS SO-CALLED CITIZENS' PRIVACY BILL OF RIGHTS.



THE BILL, WHICH AIMS TO GAG NEWS MEDIA FROM REPORTING FACTS THE PUBLIC HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW, FACES STIFF OPPOSITION FROM--



PRIVACY BILL MY ASS. MORE RED TAPE GETTIN' IN THE WAY OF US DOIN' OUR JOBS...

GLASS HOUSES, MITCH.

WE ALL HAVE SECRETS. IT'S NOT A CRIME.



YOU KNOW WHO SAYS THAT, KATE? PEOPLE WITH A **GUILTY CONSCIENCE**.

HEH. MAKES ME WONDER WHAT YOU'VE GOT TO HIDE...

**POKK**





ME? OH,  
I'M AN OPEN  
BOOK...

BIG PRINT.  
LOTSA  
PICTURES.

I MEAN IT! WE BEEN  
PARTNERS, WHAT, THREE  
YEARS NOW? AND YOU  
REALIZE I'VE NEVER EVEN  
ONCE SEEN THE INSIDE OF  
YOUR APARTMENT...?

I CAN ASSURE  
YOU THAT'S  
*ENTIRELY*  
INTENTIONAL.



SEE, THIS IS WHAT  
I'M TALKING ABOUT.  
YOU'RE A *MYSTERY*  
INSIDE AN *ENIGMA*  
WRAPPED IN A--  
A *VERSACE PANT*  
*SUIT!*



"WHAT DARK  
SECRETS IS  
SHE HIDING?"

"WHAT SHADY  
DOUBLE LIFE DOES  
SHE LEAD WHEN SHE'S  
NOT BEING DETECTIVE-  
SERGEANT KATE  
BURNHAM, METRO  
P.D. ASS-KICKER IN  
CHIEF...?"



LIKE THIS  
JOB LEAVES  
ANYONE TIME  
FOR A LIFE.

POK













STILL ALIVE--!

MITCH!  
GET THE NOOSE!

MITCH--!



TALK TO ME.

G-GRAY HAIR--  
F-FIFTIES...

B-BLACK SUIT--



SON OF A [REDACTED] WE JUST PASSED HIM ON THE STAIRS--!



I'M GOING AFTER HIM!

WAIT!  
I NEED YOU--!

MITCH,  
WAIT--

[REDACTED]





**BLAM**

NO CHOICE--



OOF--!



HOLD ON--!  
DON'T  
YOU  
DIE ON ME...













"YOU LEFT YOUR PARTNER TO PURSUE THE SHOOTER **ALONE**?"



MITCH LEFT ME. MY PRIORITY WAS SAVING THE VICTIM.

VICTIMS.

BUT IF YOU HAD BACKED HIM UP, THINGS MIGHT WELL HAVE TURNED OUT DIFFERENTLY, YES...?



YEAH.

RIGHT NOW YOU'D BE LOOKING AT **FOUR** DEAD BODIES INSTEAD OF **TWO**.







WHAT'S THE STATUS ON THE SURVIVORS?



OFFICER DALLAS IS CRITICAL BUT STABLE.

HE WAS LUCKY. BULLET MISSED HIS HEART BY AN INCH.

THE HANGED KID, I DUNNO. STILL *COMATOSE*. SEVERE HYPOXIA, POSSIBLE BRAIN DAMAGE...

I LEFT HIM TOO LONG. I SHOULD HAVE SHOT THE ROPE SOONER...



YOU DISCHARGED YOUR SERVICE WEAPON THROUGH THE *CEILING* OF A *RESIDENTIAL BUILDING*.

ANYONE IN THE APARTMENT ABOVE COULD HAVE BEEN *KILLED*.



WE WERE ON THE *TOP FLOOR*. I JUDGED IT *UNLIKELY* THAT ANYONE WOULD BE CLIMBING AROUND ON THE *ROOF* IN THE MIDDLE OF A *RAIN STORM*.

MA'AM.

CAPT. YATES