

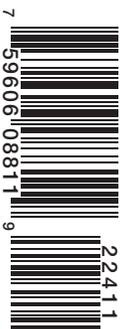
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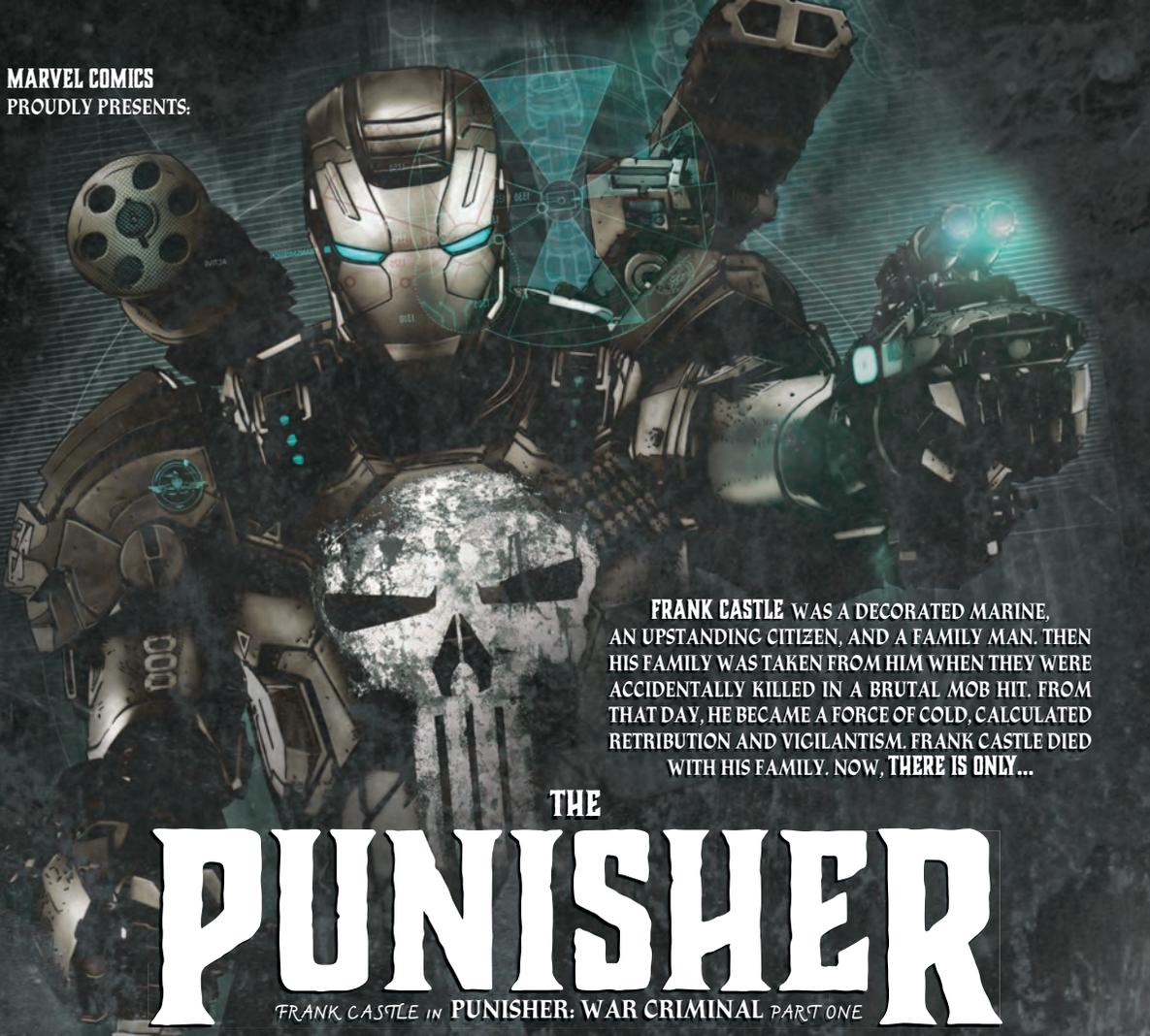


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FRANK CASTLE WAS A DECORATED MARINE, AN UPSTANDING CITIZEN, AND A FAMILY MAN. THEN HIS FAMILY WAS TAKEN FROM HIM WHEN THEY WERE ACCIDENTALLY KILLED IN A BRUTAL MOB HIT. FROM THAT DAY, HE BECAME A FORCE OF COLD, CALCULATED RETRIBUTION AND VIGILANTISM. FRANK CASTLE DIED WITH HIS FAMILY. NOW, **THERE IS ONLY...**

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FRANK CASTLE IN **PUNISHER: WAR CRIMINAL** PART ONE

THE PUNISHER HAS BEEN BRANDED A GLOBAL TERRORIST. AFTER A VIOLENT MILITARY REGIME TOOK OVER THE SMALL COUNTRY OF CHERNAYA AND ENSLAVED ITS PEOPLE, NICK FURY RECRUITED FRANK TO KILL THE CORRUPT ORCHESTRATORS OF THE COUP (SOME OF WHICH WERE EX-S.H.I.E.L.D.). FURY EVEN LENT HIM THE WAR MACHINE ARMOR TO ENSURE HIS SUCCESS, BUT IT ALL WENT TO HELL WHEN FRANK IGNORED FURY'S DIRECTIVES TO STAND DOWN, ALMOST STARTED A NUCLEAR WAR, AND SUBVERTED FURY'S PLANS TO EITHER TAKE BACK OR DESTROY THE ARMOR ONCE THE MISSION WAS COMPLETE. NOW, FRANK IS ARMORED UP AND BACK IN NEW YORK CITY – AND NEW YORK'S HEROES ARE NOT HAPPY.

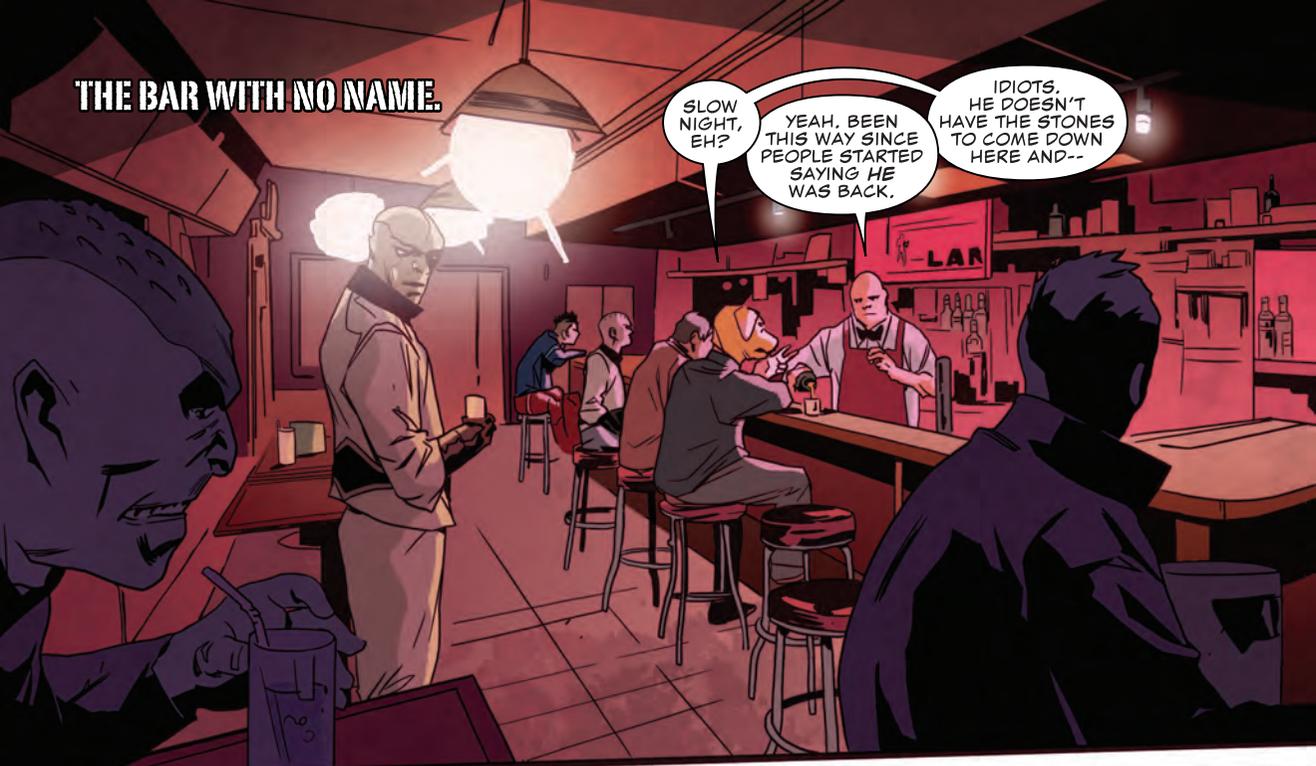
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THE BAR WITH NO NAME.



SLOW NIGHT, EH?

YEAH. BEEN THIS WAY SINCE PEOPLE STARTED SAYING HE WAS BACK.

IDIOTS. HE DOESN'T HAVE THE STONES TO COME DOWN HERE AND--



CREEEAK



YO! WHAT THE @#%--



EVERYONE
STAND YOUR
GROUND! HE CAN'T
TAKE US ALL!
LET'S SHOW--

AHHH!!!

FWOOSH



I'M GONNA RIP OUT HIS THROAT WITH MY TEETH.

DON'T GO OUT THERE, STEEL-JAW...



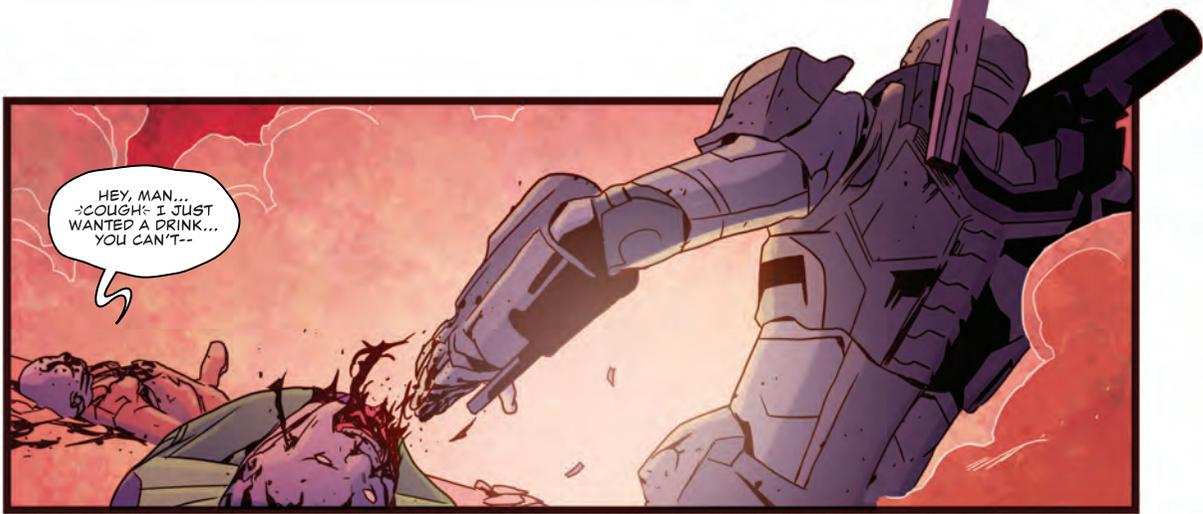
GRRRAAAHHH!!!



RUH?



BLAM



HEY, MAN...
->COUGH-> I JUST
WANTED A DRINK...
YOU CAN'T--



WE
CLEAR?

NEGATIVE.

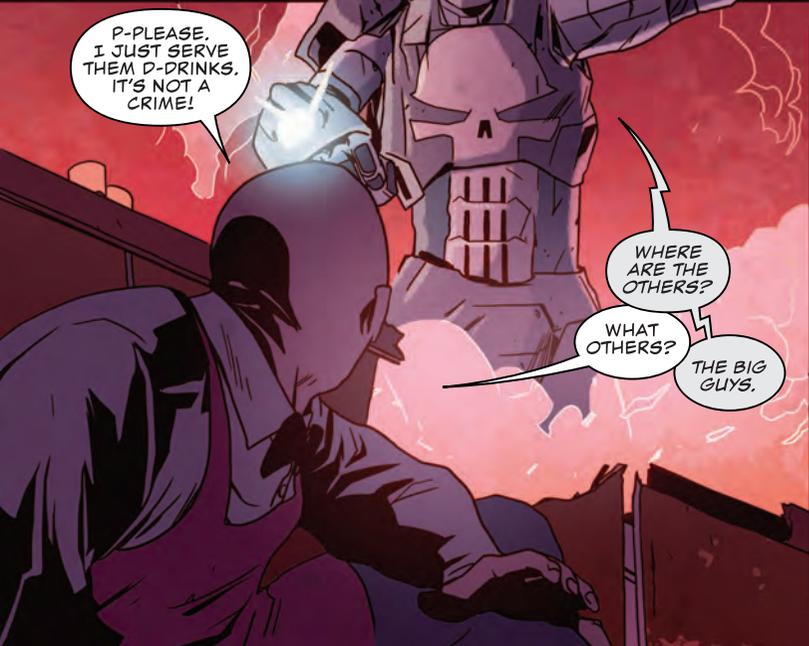
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THERE
IS ONE
REMAINING LIFE-
FORM IN THE
ROOM.



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P-PLEASE,
I JUST SERVE
THEM D-DRINKS.
IT'S NOT A
CRIME!

WHERE
ARE THE
OTHERS?

WHAT
OTHERS?

THE BIG
GUYS.

