SERIAL KILLER CLETUS KASADY BONDED WITH A DERANGED ALIEN SYMBIOTE THAT GRANTED HIM POWERS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF SPIDER-MAN AND ENABLED HIM TO CRAFT BLADED WEAPONS OUT OF THE CREATURE'S ORGANIC TISSUE.

WITH NEWFOUND POWER TO ACT OUT HIS DEADLIEST IMPULSES, CLETUS BECAME



LED BY CLAIRE DIXON,
THE F.B.I. CREATED A TASK FORCE TO
CAPTURE CARNAGE. DIXON ENLISTED JOHN
JAMESON, WAR HERO AND ASTRONAUT, AND
EDDIE BROCK, FORMER HOST TO THE VENOM
SYMBIOTE, AND DEVISED A PLAN TO CAPTURE
THE RED MENACE IN AN ABANDONED MINE.

THE MINE'S OWNER, BARRY GLEASON, VOLUNTEERED MANUELA CALDERON—THE MINE'S DIRECTOR OF SECURITY AND THE SOLE SURVIVOR OF CLETUS' FIRST HOMICIDAL RAMPAGE—AS BAIT TO LURE CARNAGE TO THEIR FACILITY. THE PLAN TO USE SONIC WEAPONRY TO TRAP CARNAGE WENT HORRIBLY WRONG WHEN IT COLLAPSED THE GROUND BENEATH THE KILLER, DROPPING HIM AND SEVERAL F.B.I. AGENTS INTO THE MINE BELOW.

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