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SCENE FOUR – TWO INTERROGATION ROOMS – THE PRESENT

INTERROGATION ROOM A:

START

(LIGHTS UP on DET. DIXON.)

DET. DIXON

When did you hire Becca?

(MARTIN enters the scene)

MARTIN

A little over six months ago.

DET. DIXON

The desk's bouncing. Stop with the knee. Did you know Becca before that?

MARTIN

No. We went through an agency.

DET. DIXON

The knee.

MARTIN

Right. I'm, you know, shaken up.

DET. DIXON

How would you describe your relationship?

MARTIN

With Becca? She was our surrogate.

DET. DIXON

Good looking girl.

MARTIN

She is. Was.

DET. DIXON

Very good looking.

MARTIN

And I'm "very" married.

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DET. DIXON

I don't know much about this surrogate situation. Short hand: You and your wife mix the batter, then the surrogate bakes the cake?

MARTIN

Don't say that to Susan. She hates 'bun in the oven' expressions.

DET. DIXON

I said "cake".

MARTIN

Either way, it's offensive.

DET. DIXON

Appreciate that. Where were you today when we called you?

MARTIN

The Museum.

DET. DIXON

You were there all day?

MARTIN

Yes. Well, except for lunch.

DET. DIXON

People saw you.

MARTIN

Of course.

DET. DIXON

What about lunch?

MARTIN

I just wanted to get out, I walked around.

DET. DIXON

Get a pretzel?

MARTIN

I went to a Chipotle. And I don't think any of the thousand people on the street would remember me.

DET. DIXON

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Why can't your wife have her own baby?

MARTIN

Are you serious? That is really not your business.

DET. DIXON

The girl's dead. I'm the Bad Cop. It's my business.

END

INTERROGATION ROOM B – CONT.

(LIGHTS UP on SUSAN, with STRUTT)

STRUTT

You can tell me anything, it's protected. I survive criminal law by pretending all my clients are innocent. You don't have to burst my bubble unless you want to plead guilty. In that case, I'm not defending you, I'm negotiating for you. Do you understand the difference?

SUSAN

Why would I kill someone carrying my baby?

STRUTT

It's where they start. (Takes out police report) They say your fingerprints are all over the apartment.

SUSAN

They should be. I was there almost every day.

STRUTT

You knew her neighbors, the building staff?

SUSAN

I've probably seen them all.

STRUTT

You say her door was unlocked. Was it ever unlocked before today?

SUSAN

Never.

STRUTT

So, she would have had to let someone in.

SUSAN

Yes.