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"Modern Working Woman"

BILLY (CONT'D)

I want whoever killed my father. I want him in jail. I want him in the electric chair. I want some fucking justice around here. And until that happens your life is going to suck.

He walks out. Kerch gives him a long look, then tears up the check.

TRANSITION.

START

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INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

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Billy is watching television as the door opens and Annie enters. He's in a casual attitude, lying on the sofa. She wears a raincoat.

ANNIE

Hi. How's it going?

BILLY

Not a whole lot going on -- but thing's are looking up since you got here.

Kisses her

BILLY

How come you're so late?

ANNIE

You know how it is with the modern working woman. I've got a heavy schedule. Full time job, active social life. I've even taken on some night work. You know, I thought I could help make ends meet.

She crosses to the kitchen table, puts down her bag and a folder.

BILLY

What are you talking about?

She pulls her raincoat open, revealing a brief costume that only a disco dancer could be proud of.

ANNIE

I got a job dancing out at the Club Florida. I'm working for Kerch. They even gave me my new costume.

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BILLY

Have you flipped out?

ANNIE

Hey, come on, I'm trying to help.  
They don't know I'm Joey's sister.  
Maybe I can find out something  
there. Look under a few rocks.

He doesn't like the whole thing.

BILLY

Bullshit.

And she doesn't like his attitude.

ANNIE

It's okay if you almost get killed,  
it's okay if my brother gets in the  
shit, but I stand around and wring  
my hands, right? That's my job.

Billy looking at her -- she picks up the folder.

ANNIE

By the way, here's the file on your ..  
dad's murder.

BILLY

Look, I don't want you playing  
detective. I don't see...

She interrupts.

ANNIE

Who asked you? In case you haven't  
heard, it's a free country.

Walks into the bedroom. Slams the door behind her.

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INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - KITCHEN AREA - THE FOLLOWING  
MORNING

Billy is at the kitchen table reading through the police  
file. He's obviously been up all night. Annie appears  
behind him, wearing her file clerk "uniform" - sunglasses  
sweater, jeans and sneakers-- puts a cup down next to  
Billy. She's still in something of a bad mood thanks to  
their little set-to the night before.

ANNIE

Find anything, Dick Tracy?

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