

"MAD DOG"

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MAD DOG

Gonna be a hero? Alright.

He crouches down, gets serious. He throws a right. Blocked. A leg kick. Blocked. Tommy snaps his head with a jab. Then he does it again. And again. Then he DECKS HIM with a hard right, sending Mad Dog to the canvas to the shock of his entourage and Colt Boyd.

Fenroy looks up from his post and walks over to the ring. Within moments everyone in the gym stops what they're doing and watches as Tommy grabs the back of Mad Dog's head, hauls it down, and launches knee after knee into his face.

Tommy starts throwing Mad Dog around like a rag doll, striking him with vicious punches and kicks, as Fenroy pulls out his CELL PHONE and starts filming the action. As Colt Boyd screams at Mad Dog to cover up, Tommy shoves him against the ropes and blasts away.

Tommy continues to pound. It's a full-fledged beating going on in there. Finally, he crushes Mad Dog with a vicious left hook and sends him sprawling through the ropes, UNCONSCIOUS.

SILENCE in the gym. What the hell just happened here? The entourage rushes to Mad Dog's aid, but he's out cold. Colt Boyd looks on in disbelief as Tommy walks across the ring and approaches him.

TOMMY

You owe me two hundred bucks.

INT. FIRST UNION BANK - DAY

Brendan sits in a chair across from loan officer DAN TAYLOR (40s). They're mid-meeting and going over documents.

DAN TAYLOR

This is the new appraisal figure, and this is how it effects the monthly. As you can see, that puts you upside down on your mortgage. That's the problem. It's the country that did the assessment, not the bank. So, the numbers are what they are, ~~MS.~~ Conlon.

country

~~BRENDAN~~ BRANDY BRENDAN

Brendan. Brandy. BRENDAN

START →

DAN TAYLOR

Brandy - The numbers are what they are,  
Brendan. I mean, you're a Math  
teacher, you can appreciate that.

BRENDAN

I teach Physics.

DAN TAYLOR

Physics. OK. But the bank has got  
to go by the new appraisal figures.  
According to these figures, you're  
upside down on your mortgage--

BRENDAN

You said that three times already.  
I get that. But I'm asking you if  
there's something else you can do.  
Not the bank, you. Can you shift  
things around, restructure--

DAN TAYLOR

Well, you've already refinanced  
twice.

BRENDAN

Because you advised us to do that.

DAN TAYLOR

I presented you with that option.  
It was your choice.

(beat)

I'm also showing you netted a  
substantial payout with the refi.

BRENDAN

We had that conversation. I was  
paying medical bills. Is that in  
your file?

Taylor looks at Brendan. Takes him a second to remember.

DAN TAYLOR

Oh, right. Sorry. Your  
daughter's...kidney?

BRENDAN

Heart.

DAN TAYLOR

Heart, right.  
(off stack of files on desk)  
Lot of stories.

Brendan glares at him.

BRENDAN

So my option is I've got no options? You're not even gonna try to help me?

DAN TAYLOR

I am trying, Brendan. Look, I can get you 90 days to get even--

BRENDAN

*90 days repeat* 90 days is not enough. My wife and I have three jobs between us and that doesn't cut it. So, what do you suggest?

DAN TAYLOR

Let me ask you a question: have you considered bankruptcy? It's a viable option. There's no shame in it these days.

BRENDAN

That's not how I do things.

DAN TAYLOR

Well, then you're looking at foreclosure.

|| Brendan gets up and storms out of the office.

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ANNOUNCER #1 (V.O.)

Utter domination by Tommy Conlon, the undefeated freshman from Pittsburgh...

INT. PADDY'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Paddy sits in front of the TV and watches an old VIDEO TAPE of a wrestling tournament. The bottom of the screen reads: 1994 PA STATE WRESTLING FINALS. CONLON VS. SPEERY.

ON TV SCREEN: 14-YEAR-OLD TOMMY DOMINATES AN OPPONENT.

ANNOUNCER #1 (V.O.)

...the prodigy has yet to yield a single point in the entire tournament. It's just unprecedented.