

BREAK-IN

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Characters: Casey, female, 21+, Detective Lawrence, 30+

Synopsis: Casey calls Detective Lawrence to report a break-in, but is not completely forthcoming with the details. Lawrence suspects she was assaulted by another cop.

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INT. APARTMENT - AFTERNOON

CASEY is pacing around the room. There is a KNOCK at the door. She walks over to it.

LAWRENCE (O.S.)
Miss Watkins, it's Detective
Lawrence. You called?

DETECTIVE LAWRENCE walks in.

CASEY
Yes?

Lawrence looks at her for a second.

LAWRENCE
Wait, how do I know you?

CASEY
You might have seen me around. I
used to date Ryan.

LAWRENCE
Yeah, that's right, Casey. I
thought you looked familiar. What's
going on, why did you call me?

Casey looks visibly upset.

CASEY
I needed to report a break-in.

Lawrence looks around the room. It's not too bad.

LAWRENCE
Why didn't you just call 911?

CASEY
I just needed to talk to someone I
could trust.

Lawrence becomes concerned.

LAWRENCE
What this about?

CASEY
Someone was here.

LAWRENCE
Was anything taken?

Casey is shaking.

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CASEY

I don't know yet.

Lawrence can tell something is wrong.

LAWRENCE

Why don't you have a seat and we
can start from the beginning.

He motions for her to sit. She does. He sits next to her.

LAWRENCE

Okay, let's try this again. Tell me
what happened.

CASEY

When I got home I felt a draft. I
looked over and noticed that my
window was wide open.

LAWRENCE

It's not normally like that?

She shakes her head no.

LAWRENCE

As far as you can tell right now,
nothing was taken?

She gets a bit more upset.

CASEY

I'm sorry. I don't know if I can do
this right now.

Lawrence looks a little confused.

LAWRENCE

Is that all that happened?

Casey just looks down.

LAWRENCE

Look, you have to tell me
everything. I am here to help.

(pause)

Did you see the man that did this?

Casey doesn't say anything again.

LAWRENCE

Casey, if you don't answer me I am
not going to be able to help you.

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LAWRENCE (CONT'D)

So I am going to ask you again. Did you see the guy that did this?

She shakes her head yes.

LAWRENCE

Did he hurt you?

Silence.

CASEY

I don't want to talk anymore. I'm sorry to have bothered you. Can you please leave.

LAWRENCE

If he hurt you, we have a better chance of getting him. Did he touch you?

CASEY

Please, just leave.

Lawrence stands up. He moves closer to her.

LAWRENCE

Please, help me help you. It's the only way guys like this ever pay for what they did.

She just looks at him.

CASEY

Please, don't do this. Just leave me alone.

Lawrence looks her deep in the eyes.

LAWRENCE

You know him don't you? You know him and he threatened you. Was he a cop?

CASEY

Leave.

Lawrence walks towards the door.

LAWRENCE

You are making a mistake. I'm not going to give up on you.

FADE TO BLACK.