

FRAMING EMIT

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Characters: Emit, male, 20+ Brody, male 20+

Synopsis: Brody's sister, Margo, has been attacked and is hospitalized. Brody confronts Emit regarding his relationship with his sister. But it seems to be a frame up.

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EXT. EMIT'S GARAGE - DAY

Emit is working under the hood of a car, when we see Brody approaching holding a wooden club. Brody slams the club on the side of the car, startling Emit.

EMIT
What the hell.

BRODY
What the hell did you do to my
sister?

Emit backs away from Brody as the circle around the car.

EMIT
Take it easy, Brody. This is a
customer's truck.

Brody takes another whack at the roof of the car.

BRODY
Answer me, you son of a bitch.

EMIT
I didn't do anything to her.

BRODY
Then why is she in the hospital?

EMIT
Margo's in the hospital?

Brody takes another whack at the car.

BRODY
Don't play stupid Emit. I saw your
car at her place last night.

EMIT
Brody, what happened to Margo?

Brody raises the club as to strike Emit, but holds back the swing.

BRODY
She was beaten. Beaten badly.

Emit no longer backs away, instead, he gets in Brody's face.

EMIT
Brody. You know me. I would never
hurt Margo.
(beat)
(MORE)

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EMIT (CONT'D)

I know you know that, cause
otherwise, you would have hit me
with that already.

BRODY

She was raped, Emit. Beaten and
left for dead.

EMIT

I got to see her.

BRODY

You're not going anywhere near her.
The Sheriff's are talking with her
now.

EMIT

I need to see her.

BRODY

Tell me what you did last night.

EMIT

I was at her place.

BRODY

What the hell were you doing there?

EMIT

Margo and I been seeing each other
for a couple months, now.

BRODY

What are you talking about?

EMIT

We love each other, Brody. With
everything going on between our
families, we didn't think it would
be good idea for anyone to know.

(beat)

I got to go see her, now.

BRODY

You? And my sister? Damn it, Emit.

(beat)

Oh shit. Are you having sexual
relations with Margo?

EMIT

That's really none of your
business.

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BRODY

Are you, Emit?

EMIT

I got to see her, Brody. I have to know she's alright.

BRODY

You can't go there. Sheriff Hawkins is there. They did one of those rape tests ...they took a DNA sample. If she mentions anything about you, you're good as dead. You need to lay low for now.

EMIT

Brody, did you say anything to Hawkins?

BRODY

You should take one of your customer's truck or somethin'. Head up to that cabin up at Meyers Pass.

EMIT

I'm not going to run from this. I didn't do anything. Besides, Margo could vouch for me.

BRODY

You know damn well when Hawkins knows you've been with her, he's going to deliver his own justice. Now get out of here.

Emit heads to the office to gather his things, but now before turning to Brody...

EMIT

Tell her, I love her, Brody. I'll be back to see her.

BRODY

I'll tell her, Emit. Now hurry up.

Emit leaves.

Brody takes out his cell phone and dials.

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BRODY

Hi. Could you get a message to
Sheriff Hawkins ...yeah, tell him
Emit Wilson just threatened me with
a gun ...no, he was just acting
crazy ...He took off toward Meyers
Pass. I don't know, he just seemed
crazy and scared.

(pause)

Okay. Thank you.

He hangs up.

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