

"Siren"

JIMMY SIDES

INT. LIVING ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

JIMMY has a small bag with him as Kelli enters to greet him. Jimmy is a Kelli's younger brother and is dressed with a similar dark formality.

Kelli gives Jimmy a perfunctory quick embrace which he receives with equal formality.

KELLI

How are you?

Jimmy shrugs slightly as Mark enters.

KELLI (CONT'D)

This is my boyfriend Mark.

MARK

Nice to meet you --

(catches himself)

Sorry it's under these circumstances.

KELLI

Did you know that someone was living here with Dad?

JIMMY

What?

KELLI

Someone is living here -- in Dad's room --

(gesturing upstairs)

She's up there right now.

Jimmy looks properly perplexed.

JIMMY

Who is she?

KELLI

I don't know -- she's young.

MARK

And very pretty.

Kelli looks at Mark disapprovingly.

Lucinda appears in the room.

LUCINDA
I have some things in my room -- I
could use some help.

JIMMY
Hi, I'm Jimmy.

Lucinda just looks at him.

JIMMY (CONT'D)
You were living here with my father?

LUCINDA
(after a pause)
Yes ... for a bit of time.

JIMMY
Why?

Lucinda smiles suggestively as though the question strikes
her as naive.

INT. KITCHEN - DAY

Kelli and Jimmy have retreated to the kitchen to talk privately.

JIMMY
She was living here?
(beat)
Was she here when it ... happened?

KELLI
I was wondering the same thing.

Kelli shakes away the thought.

KELLI (CONT'D)
I just want her out of here. I have
enough to deal with.
(looking at Jimmy)
We both do.

Jimmy nods in agreement. He embraces Kelli.

JIMMY
I'm sorry, Kell.

Kelli fights back tears.

KELLI
Me too.

A pause.

KELLI (CONT'D)

There was something -- I'm not sure,
but --

JIMMY

What?

KELLI

When Dad called, there was television
static in the background.

JIMMY

So?

KELLI

I'm not sure -- I'm not sure what I
heard, but I think someone turned
off the TV.

Jimmy looks at her not quite getting it.

KELLI (CONT'D)

It was after I heard the gunshot.
Someone turned off the TV.

(beat)

I think someone else may have been
in the room.

JIMMY

(thinking)

There was a lot -- it would have
been easy to get confused.

KELLI

I know, but --

JIMMY

Did Dad say anything?

KELLI

He said -- he said not to come here.