## BOOM BOOM JACKSON

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BOBBY 'BOOM BOOM' JACKSON (43), shaved head, lean build, sits anxiously on a bench seat, dressed as a boxer.

FOUR GRIM REAPERS, stand behind him.

UNKNOWN VOICE (0.S.) Four minutes, Champ.

Boom Boom doesn't answer.

He lifts his head, sighs and looks at the camera.

BOOM BOOM I'm Boom Boom Jackson. And this is what happened to me fifteen years ago.

The Grim Reapers walk around and prod Boom Boom to stand up.

Two Grim Reapers carry the bench seat away, while the other two remove his boxing gloves, boxing robe and boxer shorts.

They re-dress him in brown shorts, white t-shirt and sunglasses.

As they're doing that, two Grim Reapers bring in a table and a chair. The table has a bunch of microphones on it.

They forcefully sit Boom Boom down, before falling into line behind him.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) It was early January in Vegas that I did this press conference. (beat) Life was good. I was untouchable.

Camera flashlights light up Boom Boom's face, snapping him out of his sombre mood, resulting in an arrogant smile.

> JOURNALIST (0.S.) Your opponent says you're a hot head. A loose cannon. An animal that can't control his temper outside the ring. He claims it's why he cancelled today's press conference. How do you respond to those accusations?

The smile runs off Boom Boom's face.

BOOM BOOM He's scared.

There's a quick chuckle from the press gallery.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) It ain't funny. Look at me. I'm the World Champion. World Champions deserve respect. Hear what I'm sayin'?

JOURNALIST But, Boom Boom -

BOBBY

- I haven't finished. This douce bag has a real problem. He's disrespected me, my family, and I'll tell you this. He'll regret ever jumpin' in the ring with Boom Boom Jackson.

JOURNALIST (O.S.) What's your prediction?

A wry grin returns to Boom Boom's face.

BOOM BOOM Boom Boom will knock this bum out in under four.

JOURNALIST (0.S.) Under four?

BOOM BOOM Boom Boom in three.

The lights change to yellow.

UNKNOWN VOICE (0.S.) Three minutes, Champ.

With urgency, the Grim Reapers spread.

They remove the table and chair, and replace it with a makeshift bar and stool.

They take off Boom Boom's white t-shirt and replace it with a stylish black shirt. They remove his sunglasses.

BOOM BOOM When you become World Champion, you become hot property. And I had everyone chasing me. (MORE) BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) I did commercials for toothpaste, cars, breakfast cereal. You name it. Everyone wanted, Boom Boom. Oh, by the way. I won in the first round. Thanks for asking!

A Grim Reaper places a bottle of Tequila on the bar with a shot glass next to it.

The Grim Reapers fall in line behind Boom Boom again.

DIRECTOR (O.S.) Okay. Are we all ready?

Boom Boom sits up straight with a serious look on his face.

BOOM BOOM I'm ready.

DIRECTOR (0.S.) I'll count you in.... Three. Two. One. Action.

BOOM BOOM I'm Boom Boom Jackson.

Boom Boom picks up the bottle and pours a shot.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) And this is my drink. Boom Boom Tequila.

Boom Boom picks up the shot glass and gulps it down.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) Man! That's smooth.

Boom Boom picks up the bottle and looks at the label, before looking back at the camera.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) Boom Boom Tequila. It's the World Champion of Tequilas.

A forced smile, then -

DIRECTOR (O.S.) And, cut.

Boom Boom relaxes, feeling good about himself.

BOOM BOOM How was that?

DIRECTOR (O.S.) We'll do it again.

Boom Boom instantly becomes agitated.

BOOM BOOM What? No we won't.

DIRECTOR (O.S.) Boom Boom. It's just a precaution.

BOOM BOOM Fuck you. That was perfect.

DIRECTOR (O.S.) Boom Boom. I just want to make sure-

BOOM BOOM (angry) --Fuck you.

DIRECTOR (O.S.) Sorry, Boom Boom. All good. We'll go with that take.

BOOM BOOM Damn right you will. How dare you second guess me!

DIRECTOR (O.S.) Calm down. Please. All good, Boom Boom. Just calm down.

BOOM BOOM You tell me to calm down one more time, motherfucker - I swear I'll put my fist through your ugly face. Understand?

DIRECTOR (0.S.)

Ah, yep!

UNKNOWN VOICE (O.S.) Two minutes, Champ.

The voice snaps Boom Boom out of the commercial.

The Grim Reapers urgently spread.

Two of them take away the makeshift bar and replace it with a desk. The other two remove Boom Boom's shirt and replace it with the white t-shirt. They hand Boom Boom a handgun.

The Grim Reapers fall in line behind Boom Boom again.

BOOM BOOM Life was great. I was having a blast, until I...

Boom Boom's face is full of regret.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) You know what? I made a bad decision. If only I could...

Lights change to red.

ATTORNEY (O.S.) So what's it gonna be?

Boom Boom leans down and snorts a line of cocaine off the table.

BOOM BOOM I can't believe you represent this piece of shit. I'll give her two hundred grand. That's it.

A Grim Reaper scurries away, interrupting Boom Boom.

The Grim Reaper quickly returns with an office chair.

The Grim Reaper hand waves Boom Boom to stand up, as he replaces the stool with the chair. The Grim Reaper falls back into line.

Boom Boom looks back at the Grim Reaper. The Grim Reaper impatiently instructs him to sit down, which he does.

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) I can't believe you represent this piece of shit. I'll give her two hundred grand. That's it.

ATTORNEY (O.S.) Two hundred grand? Are you out of your mind? You had sex with a fourteen year old girl, for Christ's sake.

BOOM BOOM Don't give me that shit. She set me up. She looked twenty.

ATTORNEY (O.S.)

Bullshit!

## BOOM BOOM

(instant anger) What fourteen year old puts a hidden camera in a fuckin' Louis Vuitton handbag?

## ATTORNEY (O.S.)

I've ran out of patience with you and your legal team. I organized this meeting to help you. I've given you ample time to deal with this and you just keep dicking me around. You either pay us ten million or my client goes to the cops with the video.

BOOM BOOM You threatening me, asshole?

ATTORNEY (O.S) You can call it what you want.

BOOM BOOM How dare you speak to me like that, you fuckin' piece of shit.

ATTORNEY (O.S.) You just don't get it, do you? Maybe get off the coke so you can think straight? Right now, you're a mess.

BOOM BOOM You know who ya talking to, motherfucker?

ATTORNEY (O.S.) Fuck you! Meeting's over.

BOOM BOOM I'll tell YOU when the meeting's over. You fucker.

Boom Boom pulls out the handgun and shoots the attorney.

BANG! BANG! BANG!

BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) Now the meeting's over.

Boom Boom leans down and snorts another line of cocaine.

One of the Grim Reapers approaches Boom Boom and takes the handgun from his hand, before bending down and also doing a line of cocaine.

Another Grim Reaper clears the top of the desk with a sweep of their arm.

The Grim Reapers fall back into line.

The lighting changes. One bright light only on Boom.

DETECTIVE (0.S.) What we're having trouble with, is your explanation of self defense.

BOOM BOOM Listen here, Detective. I'm an honest man who makes an honest living. Do you know how much money I've given to charities over the years? Hey? It's millions.

DETECTIVE That's all well and good, but it -

BOOM BOOM - You know what? Fuck you. And fuck you behind the glass. Yes. I think I will get my attorney now. Fuckers!

The Grim Reapers move in and take Boom Boom's white t-shirt off. They replace it with a shirt, tie and suit jacket.

UNKNOWN VOICE (0.S.) One minutes, Champ.

They fall back into line behind Boom Boom.

The lights change to blue.

JUDGE (0.S.) Will the defendant please rise.

Boom Boom slowly climbs to his feet.

JUDGE (O.S.) (CONT'D) Has the jury reached a decision?

JURY MEMBER (O.S.) Yes, your Honor. JUDGE (0.S.) And what decision has the jury made?

JURY MEMBER (O.S.) We, the jury, find the defendant, guilty of first degree murder.

Boom Boom bows his head, as the lights change to red.

The Grim Reapers urgently spread, removing the table and chair, before undressing Boom Boom in an orange prison uniform.

UNKNOWN VOICE (O.S.) It's time, Champ.

Lights change to one bright light above Boom Boom.

BOOM BOOM I guess this is it.

Suddenly, the Grim Reapers take off again, before returning with a large electric chair.

They grab Boom Boom and force him to sit in it, before strapping up his arms and legs.

They strap a wired-up metal cap to the top of Boom Boom's head.

The Grim Reapers start dancing around Boom Boom with excitement. One of them drinks the Tequila and splashes some of the contents on Boom, who's now defeated.

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BOOM BOOM (CONT'D) Who would have thought my toughest opponent.. (beat) ..was me?

A sound of a metal lever followed by the sounds of surging electricity.

FADE OUT.

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