

# RICKY BODNER I

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2 INT. CREWS' MANSION - CONSPIRACY CLOSET - DAY 2

Crews alone. On the wall, that photo of the JIMMY DUNN funeral. Those five men only two whose faces can be seen.

One is Jack Reese. Reese's name written next to it. The other is RICKY BODNER. Bodner's name written next to it.

MAN'S VOICE (V.O.)

...Ricky Bodner...

3 EXT. EMPTY LOT - DAY

Five men in suits each holding a golden shovel. A man at a podium speaking into a microphone. A small crowd. A gaggle of reporters. A banner that reads FUTURE HOME OF LOS ANGELES HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN. A ground breaking ceremony.

MAN AT PODIUM

Ricky Bodner is more than a friend to this community. I am proud to say Ricky Bodner is my friend. Ladies and Gentlemen, Ricky Bodner.

APPLAUSE as the man at the podium makes way for RICKY BODNER (late 50's, handsome, bright eyes). He looks at the crowd.

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RICKY BODNER

Let me tell you something, when I grew up the idea that the mayor of Los Angeles would call me his friend, well it's not something a kid like me would dream about.

IN THE CROWD, WATCHING FROM THE BACK, WE FIND CHARLIE CREWS.

RICKY BODNER (CONT'D)

But I have been lucky here. Lucky to have been a Los Angeles Police officer, lucky in love...

(a look to his wife)

Lucky in business. But there are others who aren't so lucky. Today is Thanksgiving. I am thankful for the opportunity to donate the funds needed to bring this hospital to life. Now, if someone will hand me a shovel, I'll just shut up.

ON CREWS' FACE AS HE WATCHES THE CROWD LAUGH... AS HE WATCHES BODNER TAKE A GOLDEN SHOVEL AND PUSH IT INTO THE DIRT.

END

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JENNIFER  
It was a pleasure.

CREWS  
That's a nice one.

JENNIFER  
Yeah, it is.

CREWS  
I'm gonna go.

She nods yes... that's a good idea but then...

MAN'S VOICE (RICKY BODNER)  
Aren't you Charlie Crews?

Crews and Jennifer turn to see... Ricky Bodner is upon them.

RICKY BODNER  
You are. You are Charlie Crews. It  
is a pleasure to meet you.

Bodner takes Crews' hand and shakes it with real warmth.

RICKY BODNER (CONT'D)  
I've actually been meaning to call  
you.

CREWS  
You have?

RICKY BODNER  
Yes. A man like yourself. You are  
the perfect person to help out with  
some of these charities I'm into.

Bodner seems genuine. Crews, wary, stays genuine too.

CREWS  
Why would that be?

RICKY BODNER  
It's not just your money. We've all  
got money. It's your story,  
Detective. None of us have that. To  
go through what you did, and not be  
broken... to go through what you  
did... and be made better... We'd  
all like to think we could do  
that... but which of us could?

Now Bodner sees Jennifer standing there and...

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RICKY BODNER (CONT'D)

I have been so rude. I've been here  
gushing like a school girl and I  
have ignored your wife.

A MOMENT as Crews and Jennifer look at each other and then...

MARK CONOVER (O.S.)

Ex... she is his ex-wife...

Crews, Jennifer and Bodner turn to see Mark standing there.  
He puts his arm around Jennifer's waist and pulls her close.

MARK CONOVER (CONT'D)

Jennifer is Detective Crews' ex-  
wife.

RICKY BODNER

Well... it seems I've been rude  
again. I do that. My wife says I  
have no social filter. I think I'll  
go enjoy an oversized cocktail...

(to Crews)

Will you join me?

CREWS

I'm going to head out. Working on  
this murder, dead guy under a  
Christmas tree, missing body, got  
these kids running a fruit cake  
scam...

END

They all look at him and...

CREWS (CONT'D)

So I'm going to go.

Crews and Ted head down to the valet stand.

TED EARLEY

That was interesting.

CREWS

Uh-huh.

TED EARLEY

Give me your ticket.

Crews gives Ted his valet ticket. Ted heads off for the cars.

Crews is a little distracted... so distracted he does not notice  
a MAN come toward him in the night. As they pass... the MAN  
jumps into Crews... and says quietly

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