Chapter 401 His Girlfriend Is Here, so Who Should He Help?

Olivia sneered and teased. "Don't you have any evidence?"

Upon hearing her question, the corner of Zoe's lips twitched. "That's correct! I don't have any evidence, but then, you don't have any proof of me slandering you. You know well what you've done!"

Then, Olivia gave a harmless smile. "You don't, but I do!" When Zoe hadn't recovered from being startled, she saw Olivia handling her phone to an attendant at the venue. After a split second, the attendant exited with Olivia's phone.

Everyone was scratching their heads as a result. "What is she doing?"

"Olivia says that she has the evidence, so I reckon that phone is the evidence, right?"

"An idea is something that comes up in the mind. How can she prove that?"

"Who knows? Let's wait and see!"

At the moment, Zoe was in a state of confusion. Don't tell me that Olivia really has the evidence? Haven't I already asked someone to erase the surveillance video in her store? Did he erase the wrong video? Or did she get a computer expert's help to restore it?

Even though she didn't know what evidence Olivia had, she wanted to avoid causing more trouble. After all, she was the guilty one.

"Forget it. Why do you want to make such a fuss out of it? I'll admit that I was unlucky, so please stop delaying everyone's time. This is Nine-Tailed Fox No.7's opening ceremony, so I don't want to cause further trouble. I'm sorry!" After that, Zoe tried to leave.

However, she was once again stopped by Olivia. "Don't you think that it's a little too late to realize that you've messed up the opening ceremony?"

Then, Zoe pushed her in anger. "Olivia, I have already apologized to you. What more do you want from me?"

"I already gave you a chance to repent, but you didn't cherish it! In the end, you still want your precious Gene to bail you out. What is it? Isn't he helping you?" Olivia looked at Zoe with a harmless smile.

Zoe could hear the provocation dripping in Olivia's words, so she turned toward Eugene. Yet, when she was about to grab his arm again, he swiftly avoided her.

Is she for real? My girlfriend is here, so how will I dare to help anyone else?

Zoe whined, "Gene, look at how frantic she is. Isn't she purposely implying that you are useless?"

Eugene nodded his head in agreement. "She is quite frantic." After that, he turned toward her. "Do you know why she is like that?"

She gazed at him in a daze. "Why?"

Of course, she knew that he was acquainted with Olivia, but she was sure in her heart that he would be on her side. After all, Olivia has already come clean and stated that she is only Old Man Nolan's doctor, how could she compare with the affection that we have for each other since childhood? However, now that he asked her, she suddenly felt uncertainty. Are they having another kind of relationship?

Upon staring at her, Eugene slowly spat out the words from his mouth. "Not only is my heart certain, but it's also because she is my—"

Before he could finish speaking, Olivia hurriedly interrupted. "It's also because I'm one of his friends. He is such an honest man, so how could he simply believe something because of your whining?" With that, she glanced at Eugene. "Am I right, Mr. Nolan?"

Upon looking at her expression, Eugene wanted to laugh. On the surface, she seemed like she was politely asking Zoe, but those cold eyes were actually staring at him in gloom. In the end, he obediently nodded his head.

"Well, I don't care who is telling the truth. I only want to see the evidence!"

When Olivia saw that he did not pursue the previous matter, she secretly let out a sigh of relief in the silence while her heart relaxed. She was afraid that the man would accidentally expose their relationship under the situational pressure. It was not because she wanted to keep him as a secret, but if she had not done so, the possibility of their relationship being exposed to the public would massively increase.

Chapter 402 Apologize

Furthermore, she wasn't ready to be at the center of attention and discussion. A woman with a child who suddenly becomes Eugene Nolan's girlfriend? I have no doubt that the keyboard warriors will have something to say about that, so let's keep it hidden for as long as we can!

Then, the display screen at the venue suddenly brightened... A clear surveillance footage from Olivia's studio showed up on the screen with audio footage. The video started from when Olivia sat down with Zoe while introducing herself.

The moment Zoe saw the surveillance video, she was dumbfounded. It really is the video of me heading to her store—it wasn't erased at all! Otherwise, how could Olivia have quickly restored the video and retrieve it in such a short amount of time? How is this possible?

However, no matter how unbelievable it was to her, the video continue to play.

As she panicked, she silently headed to Eugene's side. "Gene, please tell them to stop playing the video."

Inside, he sneered, So, now you are starting to panic? Where was that arrogance when you bullied my girlfriend earlier? Yet, he remained calm on the outside. "We need to finish it! If Olivia has wronged you, I'll definitely stand up for you!"

Zoe panicked in her heart. We can't finish the video. I'll be doomed by then! Upon realizing that there was no other way, she silently tried to sneak backstage to stop the video. If everyone figures out that this is actually Olivia's design, my reputation will be gone.

However, after just a few steps, she was blocked. Olivia crossed her arms and stood in front of her with a faint smile. "Where are you going, Miss Lane?"

"Olivia..." Zoe pointed at her in rage. "How did you obtain the surveillance video?"

Olivia smiled innocently. "This is my studio's surveillance video. How can I not be able to obtain it? Miss Lane, do you really think that all is well after you erased it? You are really naive!"

At that moment, Zoe's face turned greener than her dress. "I won't forgive you for this!"

Olivia laughed. "Why are you still persisting at this stage? Shouldn't you apologize and beg for my forgiveness? What's the matter with you? If you apologize to me, I'll tell them to stop playing it!"

Zoe roared, "Me apologizing to you? In your dreams!"

Immediately, Olivia's face darkened as she sneered, "Looks like I'm being too kind to you!" After that, she forcefully dragged Zoe back. "Stay here and watch the whole thing!"

In the meantime, everyone's eyes were busy because they alternated between what was on the screen and the scene at the venue.

Actually, by that point, everyone already had the faint suspicion that Olivia probably was telling the truth!

In the video, Zoe had an arrogant attitude while insisting on a long barelegged skirt with a silhouette shape back. Then, she even complained that no one could see anything with that much cover on her outfit.

However, all of her comments were met with Olivia's tolerant and positive attitude.

Then, the video had arrived at the climax—Zoe's shocking words. "Don't you know that the red carpet is essentially a beauty contest for the actresses to flaunt

their assets? All of them will kill each other to look beautiful. Who would notice if you don't reveal your assets nowadays?

Here, you are now completely covering me without even leaving a glimpse for the eye. Even though we had agreed to use tube tops for the design, you still plan to cover it with a bunch of leaves."

Olivia then refuted Zoe, but in the perspective of others, it sounded more like a persuasion, which Zoe did not see the benefit in. "Fine, who do you think you are?

Do I need you to teach me what to do? Not only are your clothes poorly designed, but you are talking nonsense. Are you sure that you're not suffering from your menopause? I won't be ordering any clothes from you!"

"Stop!" Olivia yelled.

Zoe replied, "Why should I stop? Even if you kneel and beg me to stay at this moment, I still won't order from you. Looks like that few days of design class isn't enough for you to show off.

Do you think that this is the first time I've ordered a custom-made dress? If you really anger me, I'll buy this whole place and order you to get the hell out of here!"

Chapter 403 Contract Terminated

Olivia refuted, "You really don't know anything, do you? I designed the petal shape for you because your drooping breasts are ugly. Furthermore, if you reveal too much, it will only devalue your status.

You can reveal some parts, but not all. You need to do it indistinctly so that others will want to see more. That's the trick instead of selling your body for everyone to admire!

Of course, you won't be able to bring out the elegance of my dress, so if you want to insult yourself by insisting on your own style, then be my guest! You may leave now. The door is on your left. Take care!"

The moment the surveillance video finished playing, everyone finally understood the situation without requiring Olivia's explanation. At the same time, they subconsciously looked toward Zoe. For a moment, everyone found it hard to describe their feelings as some sighed, despised and even felt embarrassed for her.

Slowly, the volume of their discussion rose a little. "How do you think she managed to be at this age while being arrogant and stupid?"

"It's because she has a good father!"

"This has made me speechless. Doesn't she know that there are surveillance cameras in her studio?"

"What are you saying? It seems like Zoe has ordered someone to erase the surveillance video in Olivia's studio. She thought that she was safe; otherwise, why do you think she was so confident about the situation?

She thought that Olivia didn't have anything against her, so she couldn't defend herself. Surprisingly, Olivia was able to look for someone to restore the video."

"What do you think is her intent? Even though Zoe was the one who stole the idea, Olivia didn't choose to say anything about it. So, why does Zoe need to play the role of a victim and accuse others after realizing that Olivia has no evidence?"

"If she doesn't do that, she will become a laughing stock. Just now, I heard someone calling her a mere copycat, so she could only take the risk in such a situation. However, in the end, reality prevails. Now, she is more embarrassed than she was earlier."

"She can only blame herself for forcing Olivia to produce the evidence. Did you hear what she said just now? 'If I'm kind, I'll merely say that you are a bad person, but if I want to make a big deal out of it, I can easily accuse you of plagiarism.

Even though you may be a professional fashion designer, you seriously need to work on your character!' I must say... How did she have the nerve to say such shameless words?"

"Now, Olivia is the one teaching her about character. Sigh, it's better to be a little kinder to everyone in case we all meet again in the future!"

Within half an hour after the video was over, everyone still talked about the matter, as if the venue was filled with hundreds of buzzing bees that eclipsed all other voices.

Meanwhile, Zoe stood decadently in the hall while enduring everyone's stares. She really wanted to cover her ears and eyes and flee the embarrassing place. However, she was motionless, as if her feet were rooted to the ground.

Then, Marcus immediately ordered someone to bring her into a room.

Upon seeing a startled Zoe, he didn't have any sympathy for her. How dare she plot against my Olivia! "I called you over because I want to tell you that I'm terminating your father's funding. I'll return the exact amount!"

After being dumbfounded, she finally regained her senses after hearing his words. "Why? I've already signed the contract, so you will have to pay liquidated damages!"

He stated, "This is the contract and it clearly states that an actor or actress must exercise strict self-discipline during the contract period. They must not bring any negativity to the company or to the author; otherwise, the company has the right to terminate any collaboration! Before the filming could even start, your negative news has already spread all over the place, I can only stop the damage as soon as possible!"

Zoe's eyes widened as she stared at the lines in the contract, suddenly having the feeling that it was the least of her worries.

The upcoming film adaptation was something that she really liked as she had read the novel version a couple of times before. Even though the role she was portraying was the fourth female lead, the character still had a likeable personality and would have a love scene. If the drama turned out to be popular among fans, it was highly probable that there would be a sequel.

Chapter 404 Do You Want to Play Margot Pearce?

It was the reason why Zoe begged her father to invest 30 million into the drama that she could play a role in it. In the end, she felt a little proud of herself because of her role, but what she never expected was for the contract to be terminated at such a short notice.

"President Cohen, please give me another chance. I promise that I'll discipline myself and prioritize my work from now on!"

Marcus revealed a cold face. "I value this drama highly, but I'm afraid that the behaviors of some actors will affect the ratings of this drama, so please understand. For the sake of your father's reputation, I won't publicly announce it, so you can tell the public that you terminated the contract on your own."

At that moment, her eyes were covered by a layer of mist. Because of her misjudgment, not only did she embarrass herself, but she had also lost the chance to star in a drama that she finally had her hands on. It's all because of Olivia. It's all because of her. If she didn't wear the same dress as mine and show the evidence to the public, I wouldn't be embarrassed like this.

Zoe left the room and the venue in bitterness amidst everyone's discussion.

Upon seeing her leaving, Olivia was confused as she saw Marcus emerging. "What happened to her?"

He answered, "I terminated her contract!"

"Because of me?" she asked.

He maintained a calm demeanor. "You are part of the reason, but not the whole part. Even if I want to create something to stimulate people's interest, I don't want

to do it with an actress who lacks class like her. I'm worried that she will affect my drama's ratings!"

Olivia asked again, "You're not wrong. Then, do you have another actress on standby?"

"Of course I have. The last thing our company lacks is actors." He glanced at her. "Margot Pearce is an unruly character who isn't afraid to love or hate. To be honest, she sounds exactly like you! Are you interested?"

Her lips twitched a few times. "Nope. I'm too busy!"

Marcus stared. "You only have your designs in your head. It's time to care for your company!"

"Am I not here?" she refuted.

He exclaimed, "You came here to cause trouble!"

Then, Olivia returned the stare. "Huh? Marcus, if you're going to talk like this, I'm leaving!"

He grunted, "If you're going, I'm leaving too!" After that, he actually wanted to leave.

But, she was able to grab hold of him. "What are you trying to do?"

Marcus pleaded, "Just give it a shot. It's not like you haven't acted before. I really can't stand asking someone else to play this character. You will only have nine scenes in total. If all goes well, you will be done with filming in a few days and it won't take much of your time. Just imagine how wonderful it will be to see yourself acting in a drama and becoming a national celebrity!"

Olivia was actually moved by his words. "Give me a few days to consider!"

"A few days?" He glared. "I can only give you one day!"

Instantly, she was rendered speechless.

Just like that, the eventful opening ceremony ended. Even though Zoe had caused a commotion at the start, the rest of the event smoothly proceeded as planned.

Marcus and Eugene also greeted the reporters to prevent them from writing about the quarrel between Zoe and Olivia.

Even though some of it was still leaked in the end, North had quickly deleted it.

However, on the return home, Olivia was still unhappy as her face darkened the entire journey. At the same time, Eugene felt oddly guilty because he could probably guess that she was mad at the incident surrounding Zoe.

While on the road, he purposely tried to start a conversation with Olivia but she deflected it with quick answers.

When they arrived home, Olivia even used her exhaustion as an excuse to reject him from entering.

Eugene felt very aggrieved. This is a huge contrast from this morning. I only lost my focus when Zoe hugged my arm. What's wrong with that?

"Olivia?" He could only pitifully knock on the outside of the door.

On the other hand, North was a little surprised. "Mommy, why aren't you letting Uncle Eugene in?"

Chapter 405 Looking For Your Godmother

"I want to rest!" Olivia vaguely answered North. She also couldn't decipher her current feelings. Maybe I'm being unreasonable, but whenever I see that woman continue to call him 'Gene', it makes me feel annoyed! Eugene is always self-disciplined, so without his permission and consent, how could she have approached him and touched him?

Even though we chose not to publicize our relationship, can't he be a little more disciplined? How dare he allow her to hug him right in front of me! Sc*mbag!

What's good about that woman? She's reckless, unruly and stupid! He actually went over to her when she called him. Maybe he's trying not to be obviously biased in front of her, but if I'm an outsider, will he actually believe her lies? This is so... infuriating!

Eugene was unable to decipher the complicated mind of that woman. After knocking on the door for a long time, he lacked the courage to enter the house as he was afraid that she would lose her temper. Therefore, he thought about coming to her later in the night when she finally calmed down.

As a result, Olivia was even angrier when there wasn't any sound emerging from the door. Fine! He thinks that I'm unreasonable, right? He doesn't want to care about me, right? "North, I'm heading out for a while. Are you coming?"

North tilted his head and asked, "Where are you going?"

"I'm going to look for your godmother!"

He shook his head. "Nope! I want to stay at home and play games!"

She glared at him and warned the little traitor, "Don't even try to look for your Uncle Eugene."

Immediately, he was rendered speechless. "Are you mad at Uncle Eugene?"

Without any hesitation, she answered, "No!"

North couldn't help but twitch his lips. I can even see the smoke emerging from her head. Is she really not angry? "Alright. Goodbye, Mommy!"

"Are you really not coming? I don't know when I'll be back!"

"I know, I know. You better go now."

In the end, Olivia pouted her lips. Even my son dislikes me now.

After she exited the door, she invited Kate to a bar before taking a cab there.

The two of them hadn't seen each other for such a long time—their current encounter could be considered as their first meeting after Kate broke up with Nathan.

Even though they always spoke to each other on the phone, they never had the chance to meet up in person.

When Olivia first saw Kate, she had almost failed to recognize her friend. At that stage, calling Kate skinny was an understatement. Kate wasn't an overweight person to start with, but now, she was even skinnier than before. There was a yellowed and emaciated feeling to her that made her entire body look pallid.

As soon as Olivia saw her, she immediately went up to hug her and express her concern. "Oh my God, why are you so skinny?"

Kate smiled. "I've recently lost weight. How's the result? It's great, right?"

Olivia rebuked, "No, it's not. Why are you still lying to me? You're not even fat, so why do you need to lose weight?"

"Not only am I fat, but my weight has far surpassed the standard!" Kate exclaimed. After that, she pulled Olivia to sit down with her. "Why do you have the sudden interest today to ask me out for a drink?

Olivia supported the weight of her head on both her hands. "I'm a little annoyed!"

"Did you fight with Eugene?" Kate cut to the chase.

Olivia sneered, "Why should I fight with him to be annoyed? Can't I feel annoyed for no reason at all?"

Kate smiled. "Now that your senior is gone, there is nothing between the two of you anymore. Back then, you were so happy that you would not even care about me, your best friend. So, please don't tell me that you have suddenly thought of me. If you are upset now, please don't tell me..."

She was back to her usual weird antics.

However, it caused Olivia to frown so hard that a black line appeared. "What kind of a best friend are you?"

Kate raised her brows. "A close one!" After that, she ordered a couple of wine bottles from a waiter.

Soon after, the waiter served the liquor while the table was filled with colorful bottles.

Then, Kate filled up their glasses. "Here, my best friend. Today, I shall follow you and get rid of all my sorrows with a drink!"