

SC. 1

INT. AIRPLANE CARGO HOLD - DAY

Dan's filming himself. He's dressed in a jumpsuit as Ben checks the harness of the parachute attached to Dan's back. Ben is calm; Dan's exhilarated.

SMASH

> DAN

Alright, I'm ready to make my first jump, if my man Ben here would stop fussing. You done yet, dude?

Dan turns the camera to Ben, who's adjusting Dan's harness.

BEN

(re the harness)

You do not want this slipping off, bro. Remember your parasailing extravaganza?

> DAN

That was crazy. I dropped like thirty feet, hit the water like a brick.

BEN

Cause your harness wasn't tight.

> DAN

Hey, I survived, right? Of course, I did break three ribs.

BEN

And that was over open sea. Those rocks down there are a lot less forgiving.

> DAN

C'mon, man. No fear!

BEN

Live life--

> DAN

--Love life! This is gonna be amazing. Hurry up, Ben, I wanna go!

BEN

You're set.

> DAN

Outstanding!

BEN
Anything you want me to tell Carly,
you know, just in case?

> DAN
Pfft. Tell her I'll be home for
dinner.

BEN
On three: one, two--

> DAN
Three!

As Dan jumps -

STOP

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SC. 2

INT. "MIKE'S TAP" BAR - DAY

START

Booth and Brennan stand at the bar with Dan.

BRENNAN

So you're selling the bar?

> DAN

Mike's Tap isn't the same without Mike.

BOOTH

Must be rough absorbing that kind of hit financially.

> DAN

My brother was murdered. Finances are the last thing I'm worried about.

BRENNAN

Yet you called your accountant the morning you heard what happened.

> DAN

I have responsibilities. The people who work here live paycheck to paycheck. We have to take care of them.

BOOTH

You also talked to Dave Benson that morning.

> DAN

He knew my brother. I wanted to let him know what happened.

BOOTH

Before you even talked to your brother's widow?

> DAN

You got something you want to say to me, Agent Booth?

BRENNAN

You owed Dave Benson fifty thousand dollars. He was getting impatient.

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> DAN

What's that got to do with Mike's death?

BOOTH

You needed money. The only way to get it was to sell the bar, which Mike didn't want to do.

> DAN

You don't know what you're talking about. Get the hell out of here.

BOOTH

It's not true that your brother refused to sell the bar?

> DAN

Look, Mike and I might not have seen eye to eye, but he was my brother.

BRENNAN

He was also standing between you and money you desperately needed.

BOOTH

People have murdered for less.

> DAN

You bastard!

Dan lunges for Booth; they scuffle, with Booth finally getting the upper hand and pinning Dan on the bar.

BRENNAN

He does have a temper.

> DAN

Get off me!

BRENNAN

I'd back down if I were you. He shot a clown once.

BOOTH

We know about the restraining order, your stint in rehab--

> DAN

I screwed up. But I'm back in the program. I'm getting my life together.

BOOTH
Yeah, you're real together.

DAN
I didn't kill my brother.

Booth's PHONE RINGS

BOOTH
(Into the phone)
Booth...
(To Dan)
They found your sister in law.

STOP CUT TO: