

“A TERRIBLE MISTAKE” Script

INT. AVX - SAMANTHA'S OFFICE - NIGHT

The rain beats the window pane. Anthony is sitting on a sofa, Samantha is walking around restlessly.

ANTHONY
Just for the record, I didn't come
on to you, YOU came on to ME.

SAMANTHA
I most certainly did not.

ANTHONY
Did too.

SAMANTHA
Did not.

ANTHONY
Did too.

SAMANTHA
We can't handle this like babies,
Anthony.

ANTHONY
What's there to handle?

SAMANTHA
You know just as well as I that
this can never happen.

ANTHONY
You didn't like it?

Samantha sits down opposite Anthony.

SAMANTHA
I didn't say I didn't like it.

ANTHONY
You didn't act like someone who
didn't like it.

SAMANTHA
(more serious)
Anthony... I need you to not tell
anyone about this.

ANTHONY

Why not?

SAMANTHA

You just can't.

ANTHONY

You're gonna have to do better than that.

SAMANTHA

Anthony, I'm happily married, I have two children, I'm CEO of a Fortune 500 corporation.

(understatement)

This wouldn't look good on my resume.

Anthony gets up and walks around, agitated.

ANTHONY

Well, crap, you should have thought of this a little sooner. Is this some standard corporate procedure? Bring in the up-and-comer, mess around with his feelings and then issue a gag-order? What about me, huh? Where do I fit in?

SAMANTHA

I'm really sorry.

ANTHONY

Yeah, you're sorry all right. Just for the wrong reasons.

SAMANTHA

I made a terrible mistake, OK?

He's not used to being labelled a "terrible mistake".

SAMANTHA (cont'd)

Anthony, if people find out, I'm ruined. The stock will plummet, I'll be forced to resign, my family will break up, I'll have to sell my house. I'll lose everything. I can't believe that's what you want.

He's still angry, but that's a heavy consequence.

ANTHONY

I should blackmail the hell out of
you.

SAMANTHA

I'm hoping you won't.

CUT TO:

"A TERRIBLE MISTAKE" Blocking Diagram

