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## 10 INT. FREIDBERG HOME - HOURS LATER - DUSK

Colin enters his mother's home. Maggie is at the kitchen table watching the 6 o'clock news.

Colin stares at the broadcast. It is a report on his release from prison. A picture from his conviction is used for the story, lingering in the top right corner of the screen.

**MARGARET** 

They keep calling you Colon. Like the late great Colin Powell.

COLIN

He's not dead, ma.

**MARGARET** 

So sad. What a great man.

The news report continues to explain that new DNA evidence has linked the murder of Darlene Torregno to an already incarcerated criminal named Melvin Thomas currently doing time for assault with a deadly weapon.

The reporter signs off explaining that 'no one knows where Colon resides now that he's been released'.

The next story is about a cat that plays the xylophone.

MARGARET

Between the cat and them calling you Colon, I don't know what's funnier.

Maggie continues to chuckle as she begins to rummage through the fridge for dinner.

**MARGARET** 

Did you grab me the slims I asked from Wawa?

COLIN

No.

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**MARGARET** 

Luckily, I have my emergency reserve pack, just in case.

She lifts the top off an old ceramic cookie jar and pulls out a new pack of cigarettes.

COLIN

No ones going to hire me in the corporate world.

MARGARET

You don't need a job. You got savings.

COLIN

It's not only about the job.

**MARGARET** 

Got leftovers. Guess I'll just heat that up for dinner. You hungry?

Colin turns the tv sound down.

COLIN

Don't you think this is strange, mom? Me here after four years in a cell? And the whole time I pleaded my innocence, you never ever made had an opinion on whether I was innocent or not. Whether you believed me or thought I did it.

**MARGARET** 

Well, your father certainly believed in your innocence. Let's face it. You have all the major qualities to be a serial killer. I loved you no matter what I thought about the murder. But your out now. So I guess that answers the question.

Colin just stares at her. Maggie pulls out a bowl of liver n onion from a few nights ago and puts out two plates.

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MARGARET

You want me to heat up a plate of liver n onions for you?

Colin just shakes his head no and heads for the bedroom.

COLIN

I'm too sick to eat right now.

CUT TO:

## 11 INT. OFFICE - BURGER WORLD - MORNING

A twenty-something manager is looking over Colin's resume. Both of them cramped in a small office.

MANAGER

Ok, Colon.

COLIN

It's Colin.

MANAGER

Oh. That's what the news people were saying your name was.

COLIN

I know. They're wrong. I don't know why they would make that mistake. But it's Colin. Not Colon.

MANAGER

Duly noted. So, Colin, there's a protocol at burger world. And I can see by your resume that you have no experience whatsoever in the fast food service industry. Let's face it....

(He looks down and reads from the resume)