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49 INT. BREW HOUSE COFFEE - MORNING

Mindy and Colin are having coffee

Here we learn that mindy's mom is watching Tess so Mindy can work this afternoon

She tells Colin about the ex who she was engaged to that left her after 8 months of pregnancy

Colin shares the story of the murder. There are quick flashbacks and images supporting the story throughout.

How the trial was a sham. He was the victim of unmitigated circumstance. It was all bad timing on all involved.

Mindy asks about jail. Are the rumors true?

Colin tells story that made him less vulnerable inside the prison.

Colin tells her how talented she is. Has she ever sang in public? People need to hear your voice!

Mindy shares her story of choral chamber in high school. She shares that music and singing are the only things that kept/keep her sane.

Tess always wants me to sing her to sleep. But she's getting too old for that now, I tell her. she doesn't realize mommy is tired from working all day.

MINDY

I don't blame anyone for where my life went. But now, I have to provide for baby, and that means there's no time for chasing a dream.

COLIN

Well, that's why I want to help. That's why we're putting this agency together.

MINDY

Your a nice guy, Colin. But I was burned hard many times and it's really tough for me to trust men. Or anyone, for that matter.

COLIN

I appreciate your honesty. And I want to help. Not like a hand out, cause you're going to have to sing. But I think once you are heard, they won't stop listening.

MINDY

You're not the type of guy I'm usually attracted to, but you've got your head on straight.

COLIN

So, I'm absolved of my Santa condemnation?

MINDY

Yes. As a member of 'Mother's against weirdos', I hereby relinquish your status of child molesting creep and ordain you, master of your domain.

COLIN

Now who's the weirdo.

They laugh. There is more openness.

COLIN

(Looks at clock)

I've got to get to the mall. It's Saturday, so santaland is going to be really busy.

MINDY

Who are you? I mean, I thought my life was tough.

COLIN

A jack of all trades, master of
some. Can I call you again?

MINDY

Is it professional or personal?

COLIN

Maybe a little of both.

MINDY

Look. It's been a long time. I'm
so out of practice, the dating
thing, you know?

COLIN

It doesn't matter to me what we
call it. I just know you're easy to
talk to and it helps me a lot,
considering the last 4 or 5 years
of my life. You make life fun
again.

MINDY

Apparently, then, you're a
masochist cause I'm not the most
tender heart in the female world.

COLIN

But you're genuine. And that's a
rarity.

MINDY

Well, thank you. That's nice to
hear.

Colin puts his hand out and shakes her hand bye. It's an
awkward moment. Then as Colin moves in to give her a hug,
Mindy doesn't notice as she turns to leave.

MINDY

Call me sometime, ogre.

Colin watches her leave and smiles at her comment.

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