

# EPISODE ONE

## A Wicked Web

### ROMAN BRYANT RECORD PRODUCER

Roman appears in only one scene, via a Zoom call with Michael Stewart. He is a tough and experienced businessman who creates challenges for Michael Stewart. It is critical that Michael closes his deal with Roman, so Roman has the upper hand, and he plays it to his advantage.

### Scene 3 “TWO CALLS”

STEWART HOUSE. MICHAEL STEWART’S OFFICE. INT. DAY.

**3-B** Michael closes the Zoom call and stares at the blank screen for a minute. He opens up his calendar on his computer and checks his scheduled meeting. Close up shot of the computer screen, with the name, Roman Bryant, on the calendar. Michael takes another deep drink of whisky, then carefully places it on his desk, to the side of the computer screen. Then he clicks on the link on screen and waits for Roman to come online. Roman suddenly appears on screen.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

Hello,

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Hello Roman, are you doing alright today?

**ROMAN BRYANT**

Yeah, great. How’s that contract coming? Do you have it ready yet?

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Yes, I can email it to you now.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

I will need to go over it with you.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Sure, we can do that now.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

I think we need to do it in person.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Well, we can do that when I get to Austin.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

I don't want to wait. I need to make sure that everything is all right before we present it to the band.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Is there a problem with what we agreed to?

**ROMAN BRYANT**

I just want to go over it in detail. I want to make sure there are no surprises.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

There won't be any surprises. It's a standard concert contract.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

You and I both know there is no such thing as a standard concert contract.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Don't you think we will have time to go over it when I get to Austin.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

No. We are meeting with the band over lunch. I'm going to come down tonight. We can review the contract over dinner. Then I will come back in the morning. If everything is alright, you can come up this weekend and we'll close the deal.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

I'm sure everything will be alright.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

We'll figure that out tonight.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

Do you want to stay at my house? I've got a guest room.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

I've already booked a room. Just make a reservation for dinner... and make it a good restaurant. I don't want to eat any lousy food tonight.

**MICHAEL STEWART**

I will take care of it. I promise the food will be great.

**ROMAN BRYANT**

Good. See you tonight.