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WE GOT ONE SHOT AT THIS...
A BROAD DAYLIGHT SCORE
WORTH OVER FIVE MIL...

ONLY THING STANDIN' IN OUR
WAY ARE A FEW COPS
WHOSE IDEA OF ACTION IS
HOLDIN' A CLIPBOARD.

AND WHO DO YOU
PUT TOGETHER TO
TAKE IT DOWN?



A BURNED OUT
EX-JUNKIE...

GRETA



AN EPILEPTIC
CON MAN...

DONNIE



AND SOME NOBODY
PICKPOCKET WHO DIDN'T
EVEN WANT THE JOB.

LEO



THAT NOBODY
IS THE BEST THIEF
YOU'VE EVER SEEN
IN YOUR LIFE...



HE'S A GODDAMN WALKING BLUEPRINT OF HOW TO TAKE DOWN SCORES...

TEN SECONDS IN, HE'LL HAVE THREE PERFECT ANGLES ON ANY JOB... AT LEAST.



THERE'S JUST ONE DRAWBACK WITH HIM.

WHAT?

HE'S... WELL...



...HE'S A COWARD.

PRISONS ARE FULL OF MACHO DICKHEADS WHO VALUED THEIR OWN LIVES ONLY SLIGHTLY MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE'S.

NO ONE EVER THINKS THERE'S CONSEQUENCES TO THEIR ACTIONS, BUT THERE ARE...



EVERYTHING YOU DO, EVERY ACTION YOU TAKE...



...CAUSES RIPPLES.



THOSE RIPPLES TEAR PEOPLE'S LIVES APART...

CAN YOU WALK?

I DON'T... I DON'T KNOW...

WE'VE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE.



...AND THEN THEY SUCK YOURS DOWN THE DRAIN WITH THEM.



SO, I'VE GOT THREE RULES... I WON'T WORK WITH ANYONE WHOSE FIRST INSTINCT IS TO START WASTING PEOPLE.

I'M NOT ENDING UP ON DEATH ROW BECAUSE SOME MORON LISTENED TO TOO MUCH HIP HOP GROWING UP.



SECOND RULE... NO GUNS.



PEOPLE TEND TO GET STUPID AROUND GUNS...

... THEY OPEN TOO MANY OF THE WRONG DOORS, THE WRONG POSSIBILITIES...



...AND THEN THINGS GENERALLY GO TO HELL.



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