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MR. TIMOTHY: Mackenzie gets mad at, comes and tells you, and then you get mad for the boys and they get in trouble.

MS. TASANNEE: They tell Mackenzie to breathe. She gets attitude and then the boys get attitude, but they don't, they just tell her what to do. They don't sit down and here, breathe, you know? So it's back and forth fighting.

MR. TIMOTHY: I understand that, but I mean, they shouldn't have to be doing that. You can do that 20 minutes, 10 minutes a day, help her learn how to read. She's behind. I mean, we have workbook that all three of the kids have to do. These big, big sixth grade workbooks the boys have to do. Mackenzie has a first grade workbook that she has to do. So all that we're asking, whatever she goes [inaudible] is for her to read everything in little bits. It's part of the book. She paid something, anything because she is the home. She's a lazy reader. She's super lazy about, she'll sit there and she'll stare at her, and then she's just waiting for you to tell her to work, but she'll wait for half hour. She doesn't care. She'll wait, wait, wait till you gotta work and work to get her to understand. If you put forward the effort, it'll get easier. So she's a super lazy reader, just like she was a super lazy peer.

MS. TASANNEE: Lazy what?

MR. TIMOTHY: Peer. Before she finally got potty-trained. Michelle worked with her just every hour and every day trying to get her to finally start peeing in the toilet, right? And now she's doing the same thing to read and her stretches. So, you know, the boys are saying that they're getting in trouble because they'll try to make McKenzie [inaudible], they'll try to make McKenzie do stretches or whatever the case may be, and then McKenzie gets mad about it and comes and tells you. And then you get on the boys and they're like, hell are we supposed to do, because I'm on them to work with McKenzie, and then they're getting in trouble for it at your house.

MS. TASANNEE: Yeah.

MR. TIMOTHY: She needs to read. She's gonna have to learn. So can you work with her on [inaudible]? The only other thing we have is smoking in the car. [Inaudible] roll the windows, you have to smoke in the car. [Inaudible].

MS. TASANNEE: I've always done that. I've always done that with you, with Justin, always. I've done that when the boys were, were little, we were together. Now there's an issue.

MR. TIMOTHY: With the windows up?

MS. TASANNEE: No, windows up? No.

MR. TIMOTHY: That's what they're saying. The windows are up and y'all are smoking in the car.

MS. TASANNEE: Hell no. I've never done that. I can't even stand smoke circulating in the car. No.

MR. TIMOTHY: Telling you how it came to me.

MS. TASANNEE: Have you ever seen me smoke with them and my windows [inaudible]? Who does that, and why would they say that?

MR. TIMOTHY: Maybe because it just smells so much smoke. I don't know if they know the difference. [Clustering sound] If I'm less concerned with [coughs] that one.

MS. TASANNEE: Huh?

MR. TIMOTHY: I said I'm less concerned with that and the other. [Background conversation] This whole thing, it feels like an attack, right?

MS. TASANNEE: Yeah.

MR. TIMOTHY: It feels like an attack. Do you understand the difference? A real attack would've been not [inaudible]. [Distant background conversation] [Background sounds] I'm not gonna sit down with you and talk about all the good things that you do. I expect you to sit down and talk to me [inaudible] about me and tell me these things because they're not good. [Background conversation] If you have something not good, I want you to come to me and talk to me about it. If I'm fucking up somewhere, I wouldn't know. I'm the type person that wants to know. [Background conversation] I would cherish that. I [inaudible]. I've already been here[?]. They don't need to do anything. They don't need to be subjected to it. They don't need to be involved with child psychologist. So the attorneys can get the shit that they need. They don't even do any of that stuff. All you have to do is just make a phone call. I want to do this today. Just drop [inaudible], you know, be safe assuming[?], coming to me the next day. Nobody caress, care because they're involved and they don't need to be. I don't know if I've not done a good job of expressing how much the meaning. It hasn't been easy to get to where I'm at today, to be able to do these things financially and to be able to make the decision, pay child support, even though I don't have to, and it wouldn't change.

It wouldn't change a thing that I've done. It's made me who I'm, it's, it's providing, I dunno if it'll forever. I hope it does, but it may fucking end. I have no idea. It's already ended a couple of times along the way that you don't even know about, to the point where Michelle was paying her child support. But, uh, I would kill myself to be able to provide, and I know I get it from Mitch. I know I do. Just do it.

[Background conversation] I'm assuming the greatest man I've ever known, but they mean everything. And I, I think, and I truly believe, and I told you this before, that what's, how mad idea is to have all this. I don't think that they're, I think they're better without, wouldn't talk. If those things don't change, then just drop them off. Just make a phone call and bring them by. That's all you have to do. But when you intentionally keep them and they don't have a fucking choice, whether they get in a car, [bell ringing] you can't control when you're gonna kill yourself in a drunk driving issues. You can't, no matter how much you think you can. And they are completely innocent in this shit. They've never even tasted them as far as... All you have to do is drink. I don't care about you drinking a few beers and then I drink a few beers. I don't care.

I care about the drinking drive. I care about them being confused about stepmom's and stepdads especially, and I know that I'm biased, but Michelle has been, she's gone way over the top as a stepmom too, on top of dealing with the insecurities of being a stepmom to you. You even aware of that? You feel insecurities, right? Every, everybody does about anything.

MS. TASANNEE: No.

MR. TIMOTHY: So, Michelle has, has dealt with the insecurities of having you as my ex-wife and you as their biological mother. And she's working through overcoming all that and still trying to be the best she can. She's never trying to step in and be you. She's always respected you in that, in all of that, and worked through all of that. [Background conversation] Um, she thinks of you all the time, and it can't be easy. There's no way that can't be. When it's Christmas time, you know, she's, she's worked so hard all year to do the best that mom she can. Every Christmas time, all she does is say, let's go be tremendous at her. And she takes the kids and goes shopping for you. Do you think they ever think on their own to get you something or to get her sick? It's just her. It's just her saying, "get [inaudible] school. Get your mom Christmas. Let's get your mom mom's birthday present." So [inaudible] tell mommy this or that. And so after overcoming the insecurities of, of being a stepmom for what, there's a lot to that. Um, and then it being you and you're my ex-wife and, and going through all that, she still just puts you first. And then I hear these stories. And, um, my body's shit. I killed myself to, to get to the point where I'm today, and now I know that my, I did that for children. My children now go through these fucking things. Fuck it. I'm

calling the attorney. She's like, "no, you'll have lunch with your ex-wife, make a mense, and talk to her about it." [Background sounds] What a fucking person does that? She's 10 times better than I'll ever be. She's just a better human being.

MS. TASANNEE: She is [inaudible] great.

MR. TIMOTHY: She's a great human, and I don't deserve, every kids are looking happy. I dunno. [Background conversation] I don't know, know where I'd be. I know we wouldn't be where we're at if it wasn't for her. We wouldn't be because I, I didn't give her long ago and she gave it back to me. I completely ran[inaudible]. I dedicated 13 years. You know, I knew that you and I weren't gonna make it, but 13 years of my life was, was worth giving Jusin a chance because you were fucking chaotic. I [inaudible] a fucking chance, I didn't regret it. Our kids deserve better. And she seems to always been right there at the right time. I'm ready [inaudible] all the time because none of this has been easy in that sense. [Background conversation] And hat sits for both because we wouldn't be here. You'd be here from somebody else and you'd be try to explain whatever. There must be tons of money in time and end in nothing but terribleness for the kids. And I don't believe that time will change, it's just me. I hope it's, I hope that they get the lives that they deserve. You know, I'm trying to manage today, but I'm trying to manage tomorrow a the same time.

McKenzie's team. That's tomorrow. Bill and Steve is tomorrow. Their first vehicles are right around the corner. It's always in my mind, college fronts, just right around the corner, far away, all that shit. So I keep working, trying to make as much money as I can to keep up with everything. And then when I stop and take a breath and I hear a story, it ends up being we're talking about today. And of course, that's the only thing that sticks. Only thing that sticks in my head. What else could possibly stick in my head after listening? But I don't want them to know. It's our job to protect them from these things. So they can't, I don't want you to use it. I don't want you to leverage it. I don't want any of that shit. This is us talking and you need to do it. It's up. Do you have anything to say? [Background conversation]

MS. TASANNEE: I mean, you know, I I won't drink and drive with them. And just so you know, all the time, that time that I did, I was not drunk. I just like, you're doing right now, drinking, and then I just, I was upset and I know...

MR. TIMOTHY: But you were upset the night that you drank and you got wreck.

MS. TASANNEE: Yes.

MR. TIMOTHY: And Mackenzie too.

MS. TASANNEE: Yes.

MR. TIMOTHY: That's what I'm saying. You can't, you can't keep using that though. You can't try to put yourself somewhere else. Like, I did these things, but no, really, I was over here. It's all hard. The same thing. It's, you're 45 years old, right? You have to know that fight. You don't make good decisions when you've had, you don't. And it's, especially when you're upset with him. You got another boyfriend that's doing this or whatever, and you're don't hear you racing. You're pissed off. You put all that together and the alcohol makes you 10 times much more worse. That's, that's what problem is. It's not, you don't have to like, "oh, I feel drunk so I shouldn't do it." It's like you're drinking and you're pissed off. Same as being wasted. The exact same thing. You're not immune to it. You're not special. It happens to everybody. If you're gonna put yourself anywhere near a situation like that, if you think the potential is there to happen, just call us, drop the kids off. [Background conversation] Again, fine line here, I'm not judging you for drinking. I don't. I'm judging you for the behavior that's coming as a result of all that as I would expect you to do me if I was, you know. Man, four beers and I was fine, I was pissed off and I got wreck with the kids, you'd be fucking irate. [Background conversation]

It wouldn't be okay if I came to like, "no, but listen, I wasn't really drunk, I was just mad." Sure I'd drink. But the problem was I was mad. You would've been a flank. Fuck, I was mad. It doesn't matter, right? Once you've got in wreck with kids and it's not, it's not being just tainted and puking on people getting drunk driving accidents, it's not what happens. It's that situation. It all gets classified as the same damn thing. And as far as the parties and shit, they don't really care. It's not for kids.

MS. TASANNEE: Gathering barbecue?

Speake 1: A barbecue is one thing. I'm talking about loud as karaoke music until 2 or 3 in the morning. That's not a place for kids. And go into a parties at somebody's house till 4, 4 in the morning, that's not a place for kids. A barbecue is fine. If you're gonna have a barbecue. What did I do the last time whenever everybody came over for the 4th of July? I said from whatever, 10, and then at 10 o'clock I came outside and said, it's fucking 10, let's go. And everybody went. The kids went to bed. That's how I do it. I know it seems like a dick move, but I want, the kids need the structure. They need that structure. It's important for, for their development, that they have that structure. So, I don't mind looking like a dick if it's 10 o'clock, if somebody's mad about it, I don't give a shit. If you want drinks, then move somewhere else. But my house, 10 o'clock, we're done. Move on. And that's exactly what I did the 4th of July. It's not, it's not, it's not hard to do. It's, I tell everybody up front, just like with the, the slip and slide stuff and the big blow up slid things at the house right now, 8, 9 o'clock, it's dark. We're done. Everybody go home, we're showering, going to bed, and everybody left and nobody has feeling about it. It's just not, I'm not gonna keep the kids up until 1, 2 in the morning, 3 in the morning, whatever. Um, and then it just rolls into the next day. And everybody's all fucked up for days because they're off their schedule.

We're very structural. I'm shutting down at 9, I'm shutting down at 10. I don't care if you're a child or an adult, everybody's getting kicked out and there's nothing wrong with doing that here [inaudible]. Tell them upfront, 10 o'clock we're done, or if you go, if you want to have, you know, an all night, just bring the kids home, they got [inaudible] they can do there too. There's workloads, there's basketball, there's trampoline, whatever. They can clean, make the kids clean windows. If you just, whatever you wanna do. If you wanna have a barbecue [inaudible] you can be over at 10. If you want to get kareoke [inaudible] Good. I'll take a check. [Background conversation] Um, I just, I rather work together than drag them through another round of shit. But I will do another round of shit. Just letting you know. If it wasn't Michelle, I, I wouldn't be here. I'm that she said, she said, because I feel like you and I had talked about these things before. [Coughs] Not exactly in this manner, but hope we have now. So now I can cross that off. And again, if the kids find out about this, I'll go ahead and do it because that tells me you don't really care on what will make them go bad, but they shouldn't be punished [inaudible] about their lives. That's what parent are for. That's just one of the many things that have come up. Whatever they're talking, not all of it's bad. 90% of it's not bad. 10% is what can tear [inaudible]. Good with that? [Background conversation] You [inaudible] tomorrow?

MS. TASANNEE: Yeah. I took a few days off work, so we're at the cabin up there.

MR. TIMOTHY: This Matt guy. Does he work with you too? How'd you meet him?

MS. TASANNEE: Online.

MR. TIMOTHY: What did he do?

MS. TASANNEE: He worked, he was working at a restaurant.

MR. TIMOTHY: Laid off from Covid?

MS. TASANNEE: Don't know. Um, he didn't like us.

MR. TIMOTHY: I'm ready. Is he older again?

MS. TASANNEE: 39.

MR. TIMOTHY: How old was Miguel?

MS. TASANNEE: I think it just may just turned 41.

MR. TIMOTHY: Oh, [inaudible]. Okay. I couldn't tell. You wanted to [inaudible]?

MS. TASANNEE: Yeah. [Cluttering sound] [Keys rattling] [Background conversation]

MR. TIMOTHY: I didn't tell your brother that Paula and Morgan came by up here telling you surprise.

MS. TASANNEE: I don't tell her any of that.

MR. TIMOTHY: I guess she was in town for a birthday party or something.

MS. TASANNEE: She just called you up and wanted to come by. Is she okay?

MR. TIMOTHY: She seemed o be okay. I was like, "I don't really know exactly right now." Yeah, truth[?] she was having the kids. She's always been [inaudible] up here.

MS. TASANNEE: I have nothing against her, but her, you know, so I just kinda stay away and try to get outta it. Not taking sides or, you know, well, of course I have to kind of lean towards my brother more because he's my brother, but...

MR. TIMOTHY: I don't know. I mean, I understand what you're saying, but we went down this road before you and your brother became friends again. Remember when your was coming to our house to see the kids and stuff, and I view that the exact same way. No one. [Background conversation] I think it's leverage. I think that's, it's by definition it's leverage. I mean, Paula's always been great for the kids. Your brother's always been great for the kids. Uh, they both love the kids. I would never exclude your brother, which was a problem there for a little while, right? Um, and I would never [inaudible] Paula and I, I think you shouldn't let that be a problem. I think you are in the exact same position that we worked at one point as far as that goes.

MS. TASANNEE: See, I don't think she contacted me because she didn't want the relationship. My brother and mine. I think that's why she contacted you.

MR. TIMOTHY: Yeah.

MS. TASANNEE: Because, um, you know, we're still friends on Facebook. We're, it's not, not, I didn't just completely block her out of my life, you know?

MR. TIMOTHY: I told that to your brother too though, because he had had a problem with something that Angel did. I don't remember what it was. I really don't remember what it was, but I even told him about [inaudible]. Paula has never done anything as long as you know, nobody's like doing it behind your back intentionally. And I would never do anything behind your back intentionally. I just don't do it [inaudible] an issue at all. And as Paula has always been great, he's always been great. I hate that they're not together anymore, but I would never stop either one of them from seeing the kids. I know that sometimes that's hard for the other party to understand, right? But if it needs an explanation, I would gladly explain it. I just figured your brother would understand more than anyone because we did the exact same thing for him. So, I guess if he doesn't understand it, I'll be surprised. But now she looks the same. I guess she's somewhere around San Antonio.

MS. TASANNEE: She's [inaudible].

MR. TIMOTHY: Morgan's and, uh, Corona.

Speaker 3: Oh, really?

MR. TIMOTHY: She recovered from it?

MS. TASANNEE: Is it like bad as they say it is?

MR. TIMOTHY: No

MS. TASANNEE: No. Yeah.

MR. TIMOTHY: She had a fever for a couple of days. She had to quarantine like three weeks and then she wouldn't have work 2 or 3 days, but no.

MS. TASANNEE: Can you get again, get it again?

MR. TIMOTHY: I don't know. I don't know about the antibody thing. I'm not sure. I guess she can because she's gonna be traveling to California to open a number of stores out there and she was actually said something about getting it again. So I don't know how the antibody thing works.

Speaker 3: Yeah. Like 2 or 3 people at my work has it.

MR. TIMOTHY: Really? Yeah. I[Background conversation] I don't know anybody in my [inaudible]. Uh, the boys are getting their vaccinations on Tuesday because they'd have to have their vaccinations. I called the dentist to get some more toothpaste for Dylan for his braces. They're expensive as toohpaste, so I asked them to call in two tubes of it. I haven't heard back from them. They're gonna hear from them tomorrow. Mackenzie has new clothes for school. Michelle got her clothes, she got her some I know a lunchbox, and...

MS. TASANNEE: The lunchbox Justin bought over, right?

MR. TIMOTHY: Yeah, and then some other supplies that she had got. She, he brought those over too, and her iPad, because she lost her iPad. Didn't tell you that. So since she admitted she had the pressure to take it...

MS. TASANNEE: Oh, yeah. Yeah.

MR. TIMOTHY: ...her iPad went away. She's not on it, but at least it sends a message. You're not gonna have it at our house. Um, we're gonna take a [inaudible] tomorrow or Monday to get school clothes [inaudible] school supplies. I can't take a backpack anymore.

MS. TASANNEE: I know. No backpack. Um, the boys, I got an email with revised and update school supplies list. Did you get that email?

MR. TIMOTHY: I don't think so. It may be in, in our other email.

MS. TASANNEE: Um, and then McKenzie supplies, [inaudible], you can do it all online. [Inaudible].

MR. TIMOTHY: Do you want to get their supplies and we'll get them closed?

MS. TASANNEE: Yes. You gonna go with that one?

MR. TIMOTHY: Do you want any of this?

MS. TASANNEE: A bowl of rice, yes.

[Cluttering sound]

[Background conversation]

[Laughter]

[Beeping sound].

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