

She Who Smelt It Dealt It
(By Chris Rogers)

INT. LIVING ROOM - EVENING

GINA and BRIGIT (both mid-20s), hoping to find their place in this crazy city, bond over TAROT CARDS and CRYSTALS.

GINA
(turning over a card)
The Tower.

BRIGIT
What's it mean, Gina?

GINA
This is about being a catalyst,
Brigit. A change agent. You're
here to change the world.

BRIGIT
I knew it! Intuition told me my
purpose is significant. And I was
right!

GINA
The world's a better place with you
in it. I believe that deep within
my heart. Here's a rose quartz.
To accelerate your journey.

BRIGIT
Namaste. That's just...
(wrinkles her nose; smells
something nasty)
What's that *smell*? I'm sorry, did
you just rip a fart?

GINA
She who smelt it dealt it.

BRIGIT
She who denied it supplied it.

And with that, GERARD BILLINGSLY, ATTORNEY AT LAW busts into the room. He's disheveled and wears a bad suit.

GERARD BILLINGSLY, ATTORNEY AT LAW
Stop! Stop right there!

GINA
The hell are you?

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW
Gerard Billingsly, Attorney At Law.

BRIGIT
How'd you get in here?

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW
Teleportation, but that's beside
the point.

GINA
Well, what is the point?

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW
What you just said -- "She who
smelt it dealt it... et cetera, et
cetera, so on and so forth" -- is a
phrase coined by Ulysses A.
Cumberbach in the year 1917. He's
my client and retains full rights --
in perpetuity. I'm here to serve a
cease a desist.

BRIGIT
PSHAW... lick the tip, son. Shit
fell into fair use years ago.

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW
Ladies, please. I'm not here to
discuss case law.

GINA
Why the fuck not? Case law and
established precedent seems highly
significant and appropriate to the
discussion.

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW
This isn't a discussion.

BRIGIT
Well, fuck you, Gerard B.!

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW
This can go one of two ways. You
can *CEASE AND DESIST*... Or you're
looking at a lengthy and costly
lawsuit.

GINA
How's about I nip this in the bud
and cite *Lenz V. Universal Music*
corp. For starters.

BRIGIT
Lenz V Universal, bitch!

The girls high five.

BRIGIT (CONT'D)
 Hell yeah! And bestn't forget
 about *Gyles v Wilcox* back in the
 year 1709 or *Folsom v Marsh* or
Acuff-Rose Music Inc v. Luther
"Uncle Luke" Campbell-

GINA
 2 Live Crew mother fucker!

BRIGIT
Blanch v Koons! Code Revision
Commission and State of Georgia v.
Public.Resource.Org! Time Inc v.
Bernard Geis Associates!

GINA
 And just for fun, Imma break off
Salinger v. Random House and *New*
Era Publications Int'l v. Henry
Holt & Company! BOOM! BOOM!
 BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!
 (raises the roof)
 WE GOIN' TO SIZZLER! WE GOIN' TO
 SIZZLER! WE GOIN' TO SIZZLER!

GERARD BILLINGSLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW
 No! No! No! No! No! I'm trying
 to KEEP you out of trouble! I'm on
 YOUR side!

BRIGIT
 Keep US outta trouble? There's ONE
 breaking and entering creepo up in
 this piece. It's not me!

GINA
 It's not me!

BRIGIT
 It's you, G-Bag! Shall I summon a
 police squadron with my cellular
 telephone?

GERARD BILLINGSLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW
 No! No! This is NOT a B and E.
 No! I'm... No! I'm a jurist
 serving a cease and desist.

GINA

Bullshit! *Gideon v. Wainwright!* *R v. Quinn!* *McKenzie v. State 28!*
 Think I'm unfamiliar with the courts' definition of breaking and entering? If you do think that... Well, you thick as shit.

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW

(exasperated)

Honestly, I have no idea what's even going on here.

BRIGIT

Wanna know what's going on? You're gettin' served, Billingsly! Not us!

Gina and Brigit high five.

GERARD BILLINGSLY ATTORNEY AT LAW

Fine. Fine. Fine. You can smelt it. You can dealt it. Me and my client, Ulysses A. Cumberbach, we just don't care.

Gerard Billingsly, Attorney At Law's head hangs low as he shuffles away, dejected.

BRIGIT

Maybe I should go to law school?

GINA

Maybe I should go to Nobu? Which one's better? The one in Malibu? Or the one on La Cieniga?

BRIGIT

Malibu. That location serves breakfast... AND you can see the ocean.

GINA

Tite as hell...

CUT TO BLACK.