The Copyright Violation

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Cast: *1 m, 1 w, 1 flexible*

Length: *4 pages of dialogue (725 words)*

Performance time: *About 4 minutes*

The Story

Alicia's new cartoon tattoo, done on a somewhat private place on her body, violates Mega Studio's copyright. All the studio requires is that she display the tattoo whenever they specify! Characters include the young woman, the attorney, and the "repo" man.

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(Two people stand outside a door. One is a well-dressed, no-nonsense LAWYER with a briefcase and a handful of legal papers. The other is a grungy REPO MAN with a threatening look. The lawyer knocks on the door. A YOUNG WOMAN opens it, cautiously.)

ALICIA: *(Warily.)* May I help you?

LAWYER: You're Alicia Johnson?

ALICIA: *(Still wary.)* Yes.

LAWYER: Alicia Lynn Johnson of 2458 Locustcrest Road?

ALICIA: What's going on? Who are you?

LAWYER: *(Handing HER a business card.)* Here's my card. I'm an attorney representing Megamedia Studios, Inc. and —

ALICIA: Oh! Look, I swear I returned that video on time and I paid all the late fees and everything and —

LAWYER: That's not why I'm here.

ALICIA: Then what —

LAWYER: *(Looking at his paperwork.)* Our records show that you recently made a trip to the beach and —

ALICIA: Yes, the Outer Banks. Why?

LAWYER: Where you visited a certain tattoo parlor, hereafter referred to as "The Parlor," where you received a certain tattoo, approximately three centimeters to the left of the —

ALICIA: *(Using her hands to cover her posterior.)* Hey!

LAWYER: Here's the long and short of it: Your tattoo is against the law.

ALICIA: What? What do you mean? I'm over 18. I have a perfectly good right to get a tattoo if I want to.

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