

INT. WHITE ROOM - DAY

MARC sits across from DA LEWIS.

LEWIS

We're past the point where we're discussing your innocence, Marc. Now, it's a question of jail time, your future.

MARC

It was a stupid ritual, okay? When I was a freshman, they did it to me!

LEWIS

Except you didn't drown, did you? Tell me, Marc. Who thought it was a good idea to get the freshmen drunk, tie weights to their arms and legs, and make them tread water for fifteen minutes?

MARC

It wasn't *my* idea.

LEWIS

According to your team, however, you were the one that forced them to continue the ritual.

MARC

Everyone else was there! They weren't in a hurry to stop! I was just continuing the tradition-

LEWIS

A dangerous tradition that you, as captain, might have had the common sense to discontinue. It's because of you that someone is dead, Marc!

MARC

(realizing)

It wasn't supposed to happen like that... I mean.. it was just meant to teach the players how to deal with being under pressure and--

LEWIS

Not an excuse, Marc.

MARC

...I'm sorry....

(beat, getting emotional)

I never wanted to hurt anyone. I, I
didn't think that would happen, I'm
not a bad person, please, I mean

... I'm sorry...

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