

STEPHANIE

10.

Gwen quickly gathers her things as Charlie goes back to his call.

CHARLIE

(into cell)

Sorry Karl...yeah I don't want to low ball this one and lose it...fine...

Gwen quietly exits the office.

INT. HORIZON EQUITY - RECEPTION AREA - DAY

Gwen returns to the reception area and asks Pat...

GWEN

Do you have the name of the school I need to...

Before she can finish Pat holds out a piece of paper with all the information already on it.

GWEN (CONT'D)

Thank you.

PAT

Good luck.

EXT. STEPHANIE'S HOUSE - DAY

Establishing of a modest three bedroom suburban home tastefully decorated for Christmas with colored lights and greenery.

INT. STEPHANIE'S HOUSE - KITCHEN - DAY

Start Sc. 1

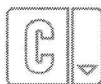
Gwen nibbles on the salad that her sister STEPHANIE (30) is busy preparing as she excitedly chatters on about Charlie.

GWEN

You know he's one of our biggest clients. And if I do a good job maybe Diane will assign him to me when Anna goes on mat' leave. Although it would have been nice if they'd told me he was widowed.

STEPHANIE

Gwen don't you have enough clients? I mean you're already working seven days a week.



STEPHANIE

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GWEN

I don't mind. I love what I do.

STEPHANIE

Well your love life doesn't like it.

GWEN

Are you going to give me the sister lecture again about how one day I'll wake up old and lonely?

STEPHANIE

Well you will if you don't devote some time for yourself.

GWEN

You mean for dating.

STEPHANIE

Gwen after dad died you put all your energy into trying to make mom happy, and now you're doing the same for your clients. What about you?

GWEN

I'm fine Steph. By the way has mom called?

STEPHANIE

No. She's still on that Mediterranean cruise. And don't change the subject.

(eyeing Gwen)

All I'm saying is you need to find a balance.

End Sc. 1

