

FRANK CASTLE was once a decorated Marine officer, an upstanding citizen, and family man. Then his family was violently taken from him when they were accidentally killed in a mob hit. From that day forward, Frank Castle shed his old identity and became a force of cold, calculated retribution and vigilantism known as

— THE PUNISHER —

PREVIOUSLY

Frank traced all his recent troubles, the Dos Soles Gang, the Mexico attack, the Howling Commandos, to a single source: a rogue U.S. Secretary who was masterminding war and turmoil on domestic soil for power and profit. The Punisher hunted down the Secretary, but when confronted with both the magnitude of political corruption AND the new Captain America fighting to stop his vigilante ways, Frank came to the realization that his place was on the street.



And so Frank returned to L.A. with his sights set on cleaning up his new home. First up: Hector Del Sol.

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 CAN'T BEAT
A PLAN WITH
NO PLAN.



BUT I'M DONE
WITH ALL THAT.



I ONLY NEED
TO REMEMBER
MY PRINCIPLES.



WHY I STILL
DRAW BREATH.
WHAT I
STAND FOR.

AND WHAT
I DON'T.

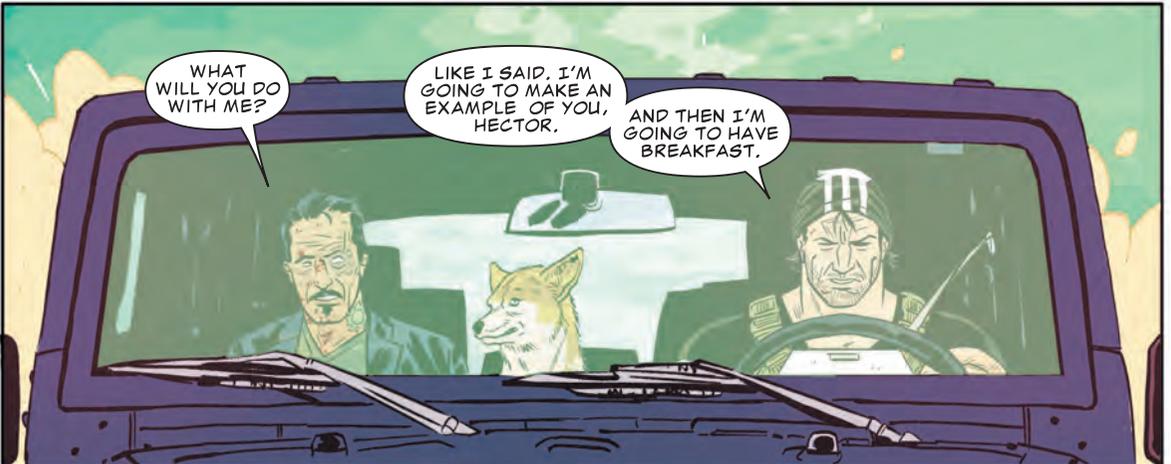
SOMETIMES,
YOU HAVE TO
HIT A WALL TO
REMEMBER
ALL OF THAT.



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WE WERE
HIRED BY YOUR
GOVERNMENT.

I KNOW,
DEL SOL, BUT
I DON'T FIGHT
GOVERNMENTS.

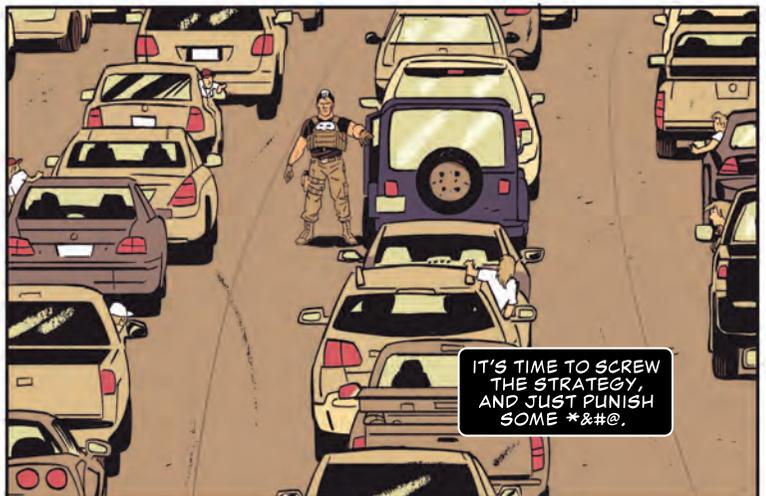
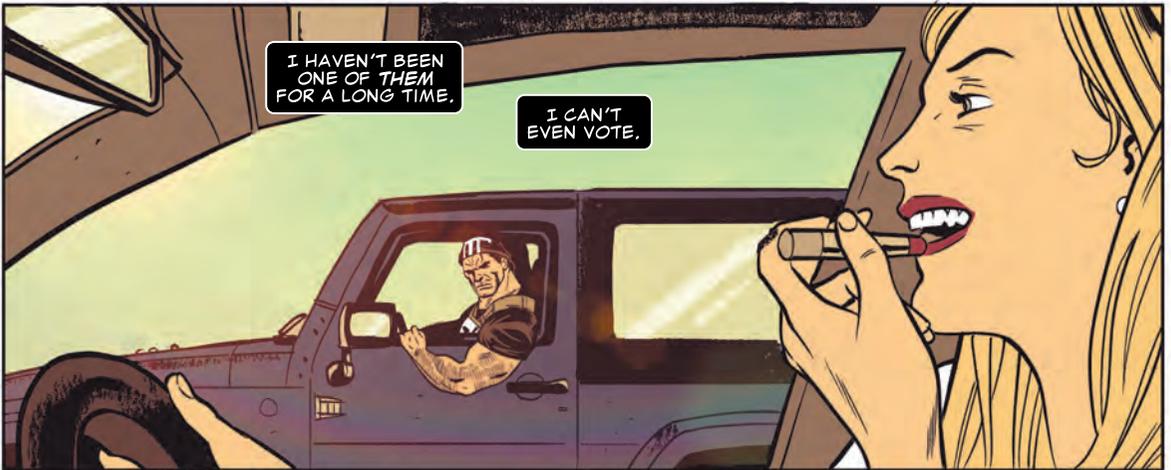
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WHAT
WILL YOU DO
WITH ME?

LIKE I SAID, I'M
GOING TO MAKE AN
EXAMPLE OF YOU,
HECTOR.

AND THEN I'M
GOING TO HAVE
BREAKFAST.





SMILE FOR THE CAMERAS. THEY'RE COMING.



LOOK AT THIS CITY. YOU DID YOUR BEST, DIDN'T YOU?

BUT EVERYONE'S ALREADY BACK TO WORK. BACK TO EATING, VISITING, SHOPPING. THEY'VE ALREADY FORGOTTEN YOUR ATTEMPT TO RULE OVER THEM.



YOU KNOW IT. I'LL WEED YOU OUT. ALL OF YOU, WHEREVER I AM.



I REALLY DON'T LIKE ALL OF THIS ATTENTION, DEL SOL.

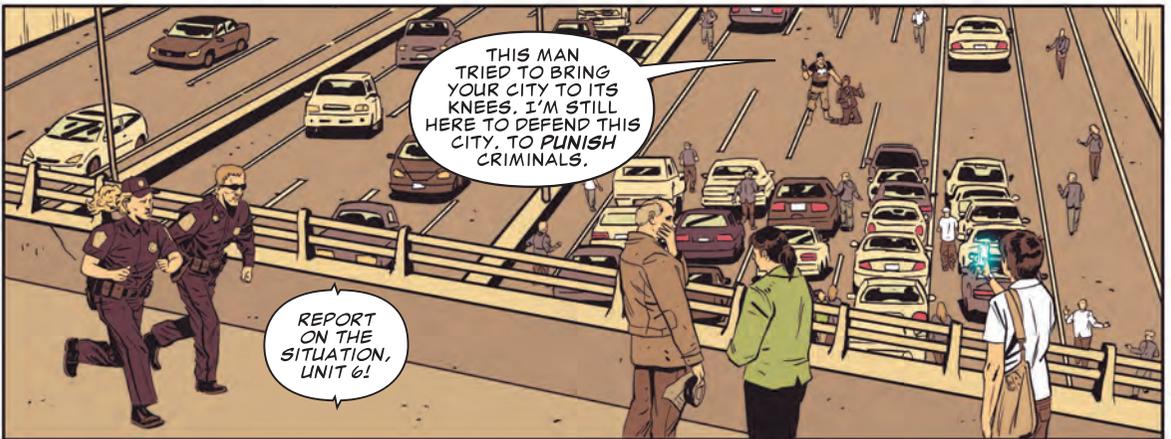
IT MAKES ME ITCHY.



SO NOW THAT EVERYONE'S HERE, LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH.



THEY HATE YOU. THE POLICE HATE YOU. THE WORLD HATES YOU. YOU'RE A CRIMINAL.



THIS MAN TRIED TO BRING YOUR CITY TO ITS KNEES. I'M STILL HERE TO DEFEND THIS CITY. TO PUNISH CRIMINALS.

REPORT ON THE SITUATION, UNIT 6!



HE KILLED INNOCENT PEOPLE. HE KILLED COPS.

TO HELL WITH THE POLITICS OF IT.

LISTEN, PLEASE-- PLEASE-- DON'T--



I WAS HOPING YOU'D BEG.