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FRANK CASTLE WAS A DECORATED MARINE, AN UPSTANDING CITIZEN, AND A FAMILY MAN. THEN HIS FAMILY WAS TAKEN FROM HIM WHEN THEY WERE ACCIDENTALLY KILLED IN A BRUTAL MOB HIT. FROM THAT DAY, HE BECAME A FORCE OF COLD, CALCULATED RETRIBUTION AND VIGILANTISM. FRANK CASTLE DIED WITH HIS FAMILY. NOW, **THERE IS ONLY...**

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FRANK CASTLE IN PUNISHER: WAR CRIMINAL PART FOUR

WITH S.H.I.E.L.D. DISBANDED, A CURBED NICK FURY GAVE FRANK CASTLE THE WAR MACHINE ARMOR AND POINTED HIM TOWARD A FOREIGN MILITARY CRISIS. MULTIPLE INTERNATIONAL INCIDENTS LATER, FRANK REFUSES TO GIVE BACK THE ARMOR. WHEN FRANK WENT AFTER BARON ZEMO TO MAKE THINGS RIGHT FOR WHAT HAPPENED DURING "SECRET EMPIRE", THE VILLAIN CHOST BROKE THE WAR MACHINE ARMOR AND NEARLY KILLED FRANK. AT THE LAST MOMENT, A SMALL GROUP OF HEROES STOPPED THE VILLAINS AND RESCUED FRANK, ALTHOUGH ZEMO AND CHOST ESCAPED. MOCKINGBIRD AND HAWKEYE TRIED TO ARREST FRANK, BUT WINTER SOLDIER AND BLACK WIDOW KNOCKED THEM UNCONSCIOUS, SIDING WITH FRANK'S MISSION OF VENCEANCE.

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HEY, GUYS?
YOU CAN'T DO...
WHATEVER IT IS
YOU'RE DOING...IN
HERE. MY MANAGER
SAID YOU HAVE
TO GO.



WHAT'S
YOUR NAME,
KID?

UH...JIM.
JIM, SIR.

JIM, THEY
DON'T PAY
YOU ENOUGH TO
DO THIS.

WHY DON'T YOU
GO BACK BEHIND THAT
COUNTER AND TELL YOUR
MANAGER TO COME OUT
AND SPEAK FOR HIMSELF,
IF HE'S GOT THE
BRASS.



HI THERE, JIM. A
PIECE OF ADVICE?
LOOK AT THESE MEN.
THESE ARE NOT MEN
YOU WANT TO TELL
WHAT THEY CAN
AND CAN'T DO,
OKAY?

YOU GO BACK AND TELL YOUR
MANAGER WE PAID \$500 TO RENT
THESE TABLES, AND THERE'S \$500
IN THERE FOR YOUR TROUBLES,
TOO. OKAY?

O-O-KAY.

AND IF
YOU CALL THE
COPS, WE'LL
KNOW, JIM.



WHICH ONE HAS NO SOUR CREAM?

THEY ALL HAVE SOUR CREAM.

BUT I SAID NO SOUR CREAM?

AND I IGNORED YOU.



HEY, SMALL WONDER, YOU WANT TO HELP ME FIX THE SUIT OR YOU WANT TO KEEP CRYING ABOUT YOUR DAIRY INTAKE?

HELP YOU FIX THE SUIT YOU STOLE FROM MY DEAD FRIEND SO YOU CAN CONTINUE SERIAL KILLING?

YES.



I'M NOT A TECH GUY.

DON'T YOU HAVE SOME KIND OF ROBOT VIRUS THING TAKING OVER YOUR BODY? CAN THAT HELP?

ROBOT VIRUS? ARE YOU... DO YOU THINK I'M CABLE?



LISTEN, FRANK, YOU'RE HERE BECAUSE BUCKY AND I THINK YOUR GOALS AND OURS MIGHT OVERLAP.

THE LEAST WE ASK IS THAT YOU SHOW HIM SOME RESPECT.

I RESPECT HIM.



I JUST DON'T LIKE HIM.

WE CAN GO OUR SEPARATE WAYS RIGHT NOW AND SEE HOW FAR YOU MAKE IT WITH 185 LBS. OF BROKEN ARMOR AND EVERY COP, CROOK, AND SUPER HERO IN THE COUNTRY GUNNING FOR YOU.

KID, I'VE BEEN DOING FINE BY MYSELF SINCE YOU WERE STILL PUTTING BULLETS IN INNOCENT PEOPLE FOR THE SOVIETS.

SO YOU DO KNOW WHO I AM!



