WALKER

ACT I

SCENE 1

EST. HAWTHORNE CLUB - DOWNTOWN - NIGHT

A stately private social club in an historic building.

INT. HAWTHORNE CLUB - LOBBY - NIGHT

Dignified lobby. A few ELITES check in at the host desk, others head upstairs (or down a hall). We find JACK nervously checking himself in an artsy mirror, in his best suit. He heads to the HOSTS at the desk, TURNS ON THE CHARM.

JACK MAYHAN

Hi! Jack Mayhan. I'm here to meet --

Start

WALKER (O.S.)

There he is!

MR. WALKER is entering.

WALKER (CONT'D)

Look at you -- finer than a frog hair split four ways.

JACK MAYHAN

Thank you sir! Really appreciate the invite.

WALKER

(to desk hosts)

You may see more of this man in the future.

Jack's enthused to hear that -- really? Walker haughtily leads him up the GRAND STAIRCASE (or down an ELEGANT HALL).

INT. MANTHONNE CLOB - GRAND STAIRCASE - CONTINUOUS

WALKER

First time in the Hawthorne?

JACK MAYHAN

No, I was here once in high school, for athletic all-stars.

(off Walker's unimpressed nod) I know the waitlist is years long. If you don't mind my asking, you being new in town, how did you...?

WALKER

(irritated)

I mind your asking.

WALKEK

Jack pauses -- uh-oh. Walker CHORTLES.

WALKER (CONT'D)

Ha! I just cinched your saddle.
(then, sotto to Jack)
There's no secrets to how the world
works, Jack. Money. Power.
Connections. And I'm like an
octopus.

Jack's confused. Walker WAVES HIS ARMS a little.

WALKER (CONT'D)

Got my tentacles all over the place.

They're in a busier area now. Various well-dressed members mill about with DRINKS. Walker corners Jack, straightforward.

WALKER (CONT'D)

Which is why you're here now. I make investments, Jack. In people. I've watched you at Haylee's school, how you handle folks -- not bad. Ever think about runnin' for office?

JACK MAYHAN

I don't wanna brag, but yes.

WALKER

Perhaps we can get you there.

Jack NODS with a GULP. A BUTLER rings a handheld BELL, and members start making their way to A LARGE SET OF DOORS.

WALKER (CONT'D)

It all starts through those doors.
 (sensing Jack's nervousness)
Maybe you wanna drain the gila
monster first.

JACK MAYHAN

Thank you sir.

End

Walker nods and smiles as Jack hurries off.

INT. ELEGANT MEN'S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Jack enters, celebrating his goed fortune with a FIST PUMP. Hurries to a bank of the mans. Starts doing his thing.

he answers, cucking the phone into the original new order.