

ISSUE LIST – HOLLYWOOD

CRIMES OF ACE

BURGLARY? -- Ace entering Studio Sound Stage 9 with wrongful intent, but intent was only to commit a battery, so would not qualify as the necessary intent for Burglary under either C/L or M/L. Also not C/L Burglary because not residence or nighttime. Breaking issue is unclear.

BATTERY -- Ace probably battered Dan when he put laxative in Dan's latte and Dan drank it.

BATTERY? -- Ace may have battered Shae when he grabbed her from behind to pose her. Unclear because it was part of his job, though he could possibly have given verbal direction as Shae requested.

HOMICIDE -- Misdemeanor Battery? Ace intended to batter Dan with laxative. He hid laxative and Cal found it. Did Cal's theft of laxative or Guy's flight from Burglary break the chain of causation? Discuss.

CRIMES OF GUY

BURGLARY -- Guy intended to steal Shae's panties, but it's unclear when he formed this intent. If before entry to trailer, then he committed Burglary at that time. If intent formed once inside, then entry into trailer's bedroom would be the point when Burglary occurred. Also, dresser could be considered a form of cupboard, which would qualify for Burglary breaking and entering. Arguably a C/L Burglary since it was probably night (evening, after dinner) and a trailer with a bedroom could probably be considered a residence.

LARCENY -- Guy intended to permanently deprive Shae of her panties so he could sell them on the black market. Even if they were costumes, he would be stealing from the studio or production company.

HOMICIDE -- Felony Murder Rule – Prosecution probably would argue FMR since they'd say Guy was still in flight from the Burglary, hadn't reached a temporary place of safety yet.

Negligent Homicide – Defense probably would argue if anything it would merely be Involuntary Manslaughter through Negligence of knocking over vase, but Cal's theft might break chain of causation.

CRIMES OF CAL

LARCENY -- Whether Cal thought baggy was lost/mislaid property or merely hidden, he knew it did not belong to him and he intended to snort the drugs, thus permanently depriving rightful owner of baggy's contents.

NOTE: Despite his death, Cal is still charged in law school exams.