

FADE IN

INT. PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - GATE AREA - DAY

A crowded airport terminal. Announcements of flight information ECHO throughout the terminal. A sea of PASSENGERS hustle and bustle through TSA, awaiting their flight.

At a public seating area, we see a BRIARD PUPPY. He stands on a worn beach towel and stares intently at KAREN COBB (late 30s), blonde hair, shorts and a graphic t-shirt.

KAREN
Norman. Sit.

Karen's hand motions for a sit.

Norman stands there, processing her command.

She repeats the motion.

KAREN (CONT'D)
Sit.

Norman slowly moves into a sit position.

KAREN (CONT'D)
Good. Now, down.

Norman lays down.

KAREN (CONT'D)
(quietly)
Yes! Good boy, Norman!

PA VOICE (O.S.)
Now boarding flight 711 to Atlanta,
Georgia. Now boarding flight 711 to
Atlanta, Georgia.

Karen grabs Norman and places him into her PERSONAL BAG, then makes her way through the terminal.

Norman pokes his head out and watches several LUGGAGE TROLLEYS as they roll past. A gentle hand tucks him back in.

EXT. RUNWAY - DAY

The AIRPLANE takes off.

TITLE: SCOOTER DOG

EXT. HARTSFIELD-JACKSON ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL RUNWAY - DAY

The plane lands.

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EXT. INTERSTATE 575 - ATLANTA - DAY

A grey TOYOTA SIENNA cruises down the interstate. Magnetic decals on the side read: "COURTEOUS CANINE DOG TRAINING"

INT/EXT. TOYOTA SIENNA - CONTINUOUS

As Karen drives, Norman lays on a bundle of towels and blankets in the passenger seat. He looks behind him. A box of DOG TRAINING GEAR and NEW DOG TOYS along the floor.

A phone call RINGS in. Karen's dashboard lights up with the name: **CAROL - BIJOU BRIARD**. She answers the call.

KAREN

This is Karen!

CAROL (O.S.)

Hey Karen! Just checking to see if you made it back safe and sound.

KAREN

Well, I had a car cut me off and brake check me for almost a quarter mile so I know I'm back in Atlanta.

CAROL (O.S.)

Sounds relatable. How was the flight?

KAREN

Everything went great! Norman did well for his first time. Again, thank you so much for everything!

CAROL (O.S.)

Of course! Thank you for your patience with this litter. I can't wait to see what you do with him. Send lots of pictures, okay?

KAREN

Absolutely! He's so smart! I already have him sitting, laying down, and coming on command.

(MORE)

KAREN (CONT'D)
And that's just from waiting in the airport alone!

CAROL (O.S.)
I'm at peace knowing Norman is going to a wonderful home! You two are going to be an amazing team.

KAREN
I really appreciate hearing that. I'll be sure to keep you updated on his progress.

CAROL (O.S.)
Sounds good! You two get home and get some well deserved rest, okay? We'll talk soon. Bye!

As the call ends, a YAMAHA STREET BIKE zips into frame and cuts Karen off.

KAREN
Holy--

She grips the steering wheel and pumps the brakes as the motorcycle rockets away. An absolute maniac!

KAREN (CONT'D)
Are you kidding me?!

Catching her breath, she looks to Norman who glances over.

KAREN (CONT'D)
Crazy, right?

Norman WHIMPERS in agreement.

EXT. THE NEIGHBORHOOD - DAY

The van makes its way through a young, suburban neighborhood.

Norman looks out the window as they pass a SMALL COMMUNITY PARK. He watches a NEIGHBOR mowing his lawn with a PUSH MOWER. Another MAN washes his car in the driveway.

EXT. THE COBB HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

Karen pulls into the driveway of a BLUE TWO STORY HOME. A modern, well kept farm house.

A CHILD rides by on his RAZOR SCOOTER.