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WANNABE BAD BOY COP - JOHN PALIFERRO

Int. interrogation room - Officers interrogate a suspect.

JOHNSON

Tell us where you were the night in question?

SUSPECT

Over my dead body!

Guitar riff plays. SLEDGE POWERS, bad boy cop, SLIDES in.

POWERS

That can be arranged! It's me.
Officer Sledge Powers. The **bad boy**
cop who DOESN'T PLAY BY THE RULES!
Step aside, I'm taking over here!

JOHNSON & SMITH

Ok.....

POWERS

Really? You're not gonna stop me?

SMITH

Nope. You're the ranking officer.
That's following the rules to a T.

POWERS

No, get mad! I'm the bad boy cop
who shows up late to interrogations
because I don't play by the RULES!

SMITH

Making suspects wait is literally
the first rule of interrogation. It
makes them want to talk.

SUSPECT

He's right! I want to talk so bad.
Man, you're killing it!

POWERS

Like you killed that school bus
full of orphans!

He PUNCHES the SUSPECT!

JOHNSON

Powers! You can't hit a suspect!

POWERS

I DON'T PLAY BY THE RULES!

SUSPECT

And it's working! I'll tell you everything with punches like that.

SMITH

Nice work Powers! Your partner would be proud.

POWERS

Would he? He played by the rules once, then his GPS hit him into a brick wall. As he died he said, *'powers, never play by the rules'*.

SUSPECT

Man, I respect the SHIT out of you!

He PUNCHES the SUSPECT again!

POWERS

Language!...I mean NO RULES!

JOHNSON

Alright just tell us where you were-

POWERS

Hold on, something's not right.
(pulls out notepad, reads)
Mention I don't play by the rules, check. Fly off the handle, check. Ah, that's it. Slam table while informing suspect he's going down.
(puts it away/slams table)
YOU'RE GOING DOWN!

SUSPECT

I see what's happening here. You guys are playing good cop, bad cop!

POWERS

See?! He knows I'm the bad boy cop.

SUSPECT

What? You're the good cop! Thorough questioning, relentless passion-

HE PUNCHES THE SUSPECT!

POWERS

Don't you compliment me! I'm a bad boy who has sex without condoms!

JOHNSON

And you've been married 25 years!

SMITH
With two beautiful children.

POWERS
DAMMIT!

SUSPECT
I can't take it anymore! This cop
is SO GODDAMN by the book that I
have to confess! I drowned that bus
full of orphans! Now arrest me.

JOHNSON
Another textbook-by-the-rule
confession.

POWERS
Don't take him away! Take me away,
because I don't play by the rules!

They take the SUSPECT away as the CAPTAIN enters.

CAPTAIN
POWERS! I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS
SHIT! BADGE AND GUN!

POWERS
Finally! Purge my rule-ridden soul!

CAPTAIN
It's about time we framed these in
the police hall of fame. Here's
your **better** gun and badge. Plus,
you're promoted to lieutenant!

He leaves. POWERS shoots his gun in the air.

POWERS
NOOOOOOO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

END.