

INT. ISOLATION CELL

COLE stares at RAILLY. The environment is intensely real...vivid colors...each sound, however slight, very distinct, almost loud... and yet she appears to him almost like a vision.

RAILLY

Mr. Cole? My name is Doctor Railly. I'm a psychiatrist. I work for the County -- I don't work for the police. My only concern is your well being -- do you understand that?

COLE

I need to go now.

RAILLY

I'm going to be completely honest. I'm not going to lie to you. I can't make the police let you go...but I do want to help you. And I want you to trust me. Can you do that, James? May I call you "James"?

COLE

"James"! Nobody ever calls me that.

RAILLY

(frowns, studies him)  
Have you been a patient at County?  
Have I seen you someplace?

COLE

No, not possible. Listen, I have to get out of here. I'm supposed to be getting information.

RAILLY

What kind of information?

COLE

It won't help you. You can't do anything about it. You can't change anything.

RAILLY

Change what?

COLE

I need to go.

RAILLY

Do you know why you're here, James.

COLE

Because I'm a good observer. Because I

have a tough mind.

RAILLY

I see. You don't remember assaulting a police officer...several officers?

COLE

They wanted identification. I don't have any identification. I wasn't trying to hurt them.

RAILLY

You don't have a driver's license, James? Or a Social Security card?

COLE

No.

RAILLY

Why not? Most people have some ID.

COLE

You wouldn't understand.

RAILLY

You've been in an institution, haven't you, James? A hospital?

COLE

I have to go.

RAILLY

A jail? Prison?

COLE

Underground.

RAILLY

Hiding?

COLE

I love this air. This is wonderful air.

RAILLY

What's wonderful about the air, James?

COLE

It's so clean. No germs.

RAILLY

You're afraid of germs?

COLE

I have to go.

RAILLY

Why do you think there aren't any germs

in the air, James?

COLE  
This is April, right?

RAILLY  
July.

COLE  
(sudden panic)  
July?!

RAILLY  
Do you know what year it is?

COLE  
What year is it?

RAILLY  
What year do you think it is?

COLE  
1995?

RAILLY  
You think it's July of 1995? That's  
the future, James. Do you think you're  
living in the future?

COLE  
(slightly confused)  
No, 1995 is the past.

RAILLY  
1995 is the future, James. This is 1989.

COLE looks stunned.