LIBRETTO VOCAL BOOK

LEGALLY BLONDE

The Musical.

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#0 - Overture

ACT ONE, SCENE ONE

EXT. SORORITY HOUSE - DAY

The curtain rises on a multi-level sorority house at University California, Los Angeles. Every variation on the color pink is in view, channeling the spirit of a Barbie Dream House.

A window opens and sorority girl MARGOT signs a Congratulations Elle card.

#1 - Omigod You Guys

MARGOT

(writing in card)

"DEAR ELLE: HE'S A LUCKY GUY—
I'M, LIKE, GONNA CRY—
I GOT TEARS COMING OUT OF MY NOSE!
MAD PROPS! HE'S THE CAMPUS CATCH:
YOU'RE A PERFECT MATCH,
'CAUSE YOU'VE BOTH GOT SUCH GREAT TASTE IN CLOTHES!
OF COURSE HE WILL PROPOSE!!!"

Another window opens, SERENA grabs the card from MARGOT and signs -

SERENA

(grabbing card and writing)

"DEAR ELLE HONEY, MAZEL TOV! FUTURE'S TAKING OFF... BRING THAT RING BACK AND SHOW IT TO ME!"

Yet another window above opens.

PILAR

(grabbing card and writing)

"FOUR CARATS OF PRINCESS CUT— ARE YOU PSYCHED OR WHAT? I JUST WISH I COULD BE THERE TO SEE..."

MARGOT, SERENA, PILAR

WHEN HE GETS DOWN ON ONE KNEE!
ALL THE WINDOWS OPEN.

ALL DELTA NUS

OH. MY. GOD. OMIGOD YOU GUYS,
LOOKS LIKE ELLE'S GONNA WIN THE PRIZE!
IF THERE EVER WAS A PERFECT COUPLE, THIS ONE QUALIFIES.
OMIGOD YOU GUYS!
OH MY GOD! THIS IS HAPPENING,
OUR OWN HOMECOMING QUEEN AND KING,
FINALLY SHE'LL BE TRYING ON
A HUGE ENGAGEMENT RING FOR SIZE!
OMIGOD YOU GUYS!
OMIGOD!

GAELEN

(on cell phone)

Shut up! Elle? Shut up! Warner? Shut up! Engaged? Omigod.

Now inside the Delta Nu house, MARGOT and SERENA collect the card and organize the GIRLS into a procession, with candles.

PILAR

OKAY...EVERYBODY SIGN? GOOD. NOW FALL IN LINE AND WE'LL START THE ENGAGEMENT PARADE.

SERENA

LIGHT CANDLES AND SINGLE FILE.

DON'T FORGET TO SMILE.

LOSE THE GUM, KATE, YOU LOOK LIKE THE MAID!

KATE

Sorry.

SERENA

NOW PREPARE TO SERENADE!

MARGOT, SERENA, PILAR

Shh!

The excited GIRLS try to sneak up the stairs to Elle's room.

DELTA NUS

SERENA

OH. MY. GOD. OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

LOOKS LIKE ELLE'S GONNA WIN THE PRIZE.

Shh!

IF THERE EVER WAS A PERFECT COUPLE,

THIS ONE QUALI-

SHH!

OMIGOD YOU-

SHH! I'M SERIOUS!

LEILANI

ELLE AND WARNER WERE MEANT TO BE.

GIRL

(agreeing)

NOT ONCE EVER HAS HE HIT ON ME.

LEILANI

KATE

(you're kidding)

(be quiet)

SHU' UP!

SHUT UP!

MARGOT

THEY'RE JUST LIKE THAT COUPLE FROM "TITANIC!" ...ONLY NO ONE DIES.

DELTA NUS

KATE

OMIGOD-

(conducting)

TWO, THREE, FOUR!

The GIRLS reach Elle's door and begin the traditional Delta Nu Engagement Chorale.

DELTA NUS

"DAUGHTER OF DELTA NU,
SOON TO BE FIANCÉE,
NOW THAT A MAN CHOSE YOU,
YOUR LIFE BEGINS TODAY.
MAKE HIM A HAPPY HOME.
WASTE NOT HIS HARD-EARNED WAGE.
AND, SO HE DOES NOT ROAM,
STRIVE NOT TO LOOK YOUR AGE.

(DELTA NUS)

STILL, IN YOUR HOUR OF NEED,
LET IT BE UNDERSTOOD:
NO MAN CAN SUPERSEDE
OUR SACRED BOND OF SISTERHOOD!"

OH MY GOD! OHMIGOD, YOU G-

The GIRLS fling open Elle's door...

...But ELLE is not there.

SERENA

Guys, she's not here.

BRUISER the chihuahua walks out. Confused hubbub.

MARGOT

(spoken)

Bruiser, where's Elle?

BRUISER

(Yaps)

MARGOT

She doesn't have an engagement outfit?

BRUISER

(Yaps)

MARGOT

She's totally freaking out?!

BRUISER

(Yaps)

MARGOT

She's trapped in the old valley mill?!!

BRUISER

(Yaps)

MARGOT

Oh sorry, the Old Valley Mall.

(All relieved. Then gasp.)

DELTA NUS

OH MY GOD, OMIGOD YOU GUYS FASHION CRISIS TO SUPERVISE

NO ONE SHOULD BE LEFT ALONE TO DRESS AND TO ACCESSORIZE. OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

OMIGOD! OMIGOD! OMIGOD! OMIGOOD!

We are at the mall dress boutique. ELLE WOODS in all her pink glory steps out of the changing room.

ELLE.

It's almost there, but...

(Sings)

THIS DRESS NEEDS TO SEAL THE DEAL—
MAKE A GROWN MAN KNEEL;
BUT IT CAN'T COME RIGHT OUT AND SAY "BRIDE."
— CAN'T LOOK LIKE I'M DESP'RATE, OR
LIKE I'M WAITING FOR IT.
I'VE GOTTA LEAVE WARNER HIS PRIDE.
SO "BRIDE" IS MORE...IMPLIED.

SERENA

THERE SHE IS!!

DELTA NUS adlib "hi"s.

ELLE

OH MY GOD! OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

ALL THIS WEEK I'VE HAD BUTTERFLIES:

EV'RY TIME HE LOOKS AT ME

IT'S TOTALLY PROPOSAL EYES —

OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

(girly hubbub)

SO HELP ME DRESS FOR MY FAIRY TALE – CAN'T WEAR SOMETHING I BOUGHT ON SALE!

SERENA

LOVE IS, LIKE, FOREVER –

— THIS IS NO TIME TO ECONOMIZE!

ELLE & DELTA NUS

OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

A SALESWOMAN appears.

SALESWOMAN

(evil)

Oh, blondes make commission SO easy.

The SALESWOMAN rips a sale tag off a dress and swoops down on ELLE.

(sunny)

Excuse me, have you seen this? It just came in; it's perfect for a blonde.

ELLE

Right, with a half-loop stitch on china silk?

SALESWOMAN

Uh huh.

ELLE

But the thing is, you can't use a half-loop stitch on china silk. It'll pucker. And you didn't just get this in because I saw it in last May's "Vogue."

DELTA NUS

(sotto voce, delighted)

OH MY GOD. OMIGOD YOU GUYS...

ELLE

I'm not about to buy last year's dress at this year's price.

DELTA NUS

...ELLE SAW RIGHT THROUGH THAT SALESGIRL'S LIES.

ELLE

It may be perfect for a blonde, but I'm not THAT blonde.

(sings to SALESWOMAN)

I MAY BE IN LOVE BUT I'M NOT STUPID, LADY:

I'VE GOT EYES.

The STORE MANAGER recognizes ELLE and rushes over.

STORE MANAGER

OMIGOD!

ELLE WOODS!

SORRY, OUR MISTAKE -

(to Saleswoman)

COURTNEY, TAKE YOUR BREAK -

(to Elle)

JUST IGNORE HER, SHE HASN'T BEEN WELL...

The MANAGER brings out a new dress.

TRY THIS! LATEST FROM MILAN...

GO ON, TRY IT ON.

I TAKE CARE OF MY BEST CLIENTELE.

The DELTA NUS swirl around ELLE, hiding her from the audience.

IT'S A GIFT FROM ME TO ELLE!

The women part. ELLE re-appears, wearing the new dress, which is spectacular. And pink.

ELLE

DELTA NUS

AH AH AH AH AH AH AH

OH. MY. GOD. OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

AH

AH AH

THIS ONE'S PERFECT. AND IT'S JUST MY SIZE!

SEE? DREAMS REALLY DO COME TRUE.

AH

YOU NEVER HAVE TO COMPROMISE.

OMIGOOOD!

DELTA NUS

OH MY-

OH MY GOD. OMIGOD YOU GUYS!

LET'S GO HOME BEFORE SOMEONE CRIES!

Scene changes and suddenly we're back in the marble foyer of Delta Nu.

IF THERE EVER WAS A PERFECT COUPLE, THIS ONE QUALIFIES! CAUSE WE LOVE YOU GUYS!

ELLE

NO I LOVE YOU GUYS!

DELTA NU GIRLS

OHMIGOD...!

ELLE

OHMIGOD...!

ALL

OMIGOOOOD...

YOU GUYS!

...OMIGOD!!!

#1a - Transition To Serious