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11/15/2004	“Don’t Back Out On Me Now” Steven takes Kristina back to surgery because she started bleeding. Sonny comes in and he and Ric start to argue. Alexis stops them saying that all that matters is Kristina right now. Ric tells Alexis there’s too much conflict with him and Sonny and maybe it would be better if he just walked away. Alexis tells him he said he wanted their marriage to be something more than a way to get custody. She says she wants more too. They need to stick together and be a family. Ric tells her he won’t be going anywhere. Steven returns and tells the three of them that Kristina is on the road to recovery. Alexis and Sonny agree not to fight while Kristina is hospitalized. Sonny says she needs her mother.
11/16/2004	No advance in storyline ☹
11/17/2004	“I Need To Pay My Respects” It is the day of Sam’s baby’s memorial. Alexis wants to go but Ric tries to discourage her. She wants to pay her respects to the baby that saved her daughter’s life. The go to the church but end up leaving as soon as Sam and Sonny see them. Alexis feels bad for even going and disturbing them. Ric assures her she did nothing wrong. Later Kristina gives them both kisses.
11/18/2004	“You Need To Indict Him Now” Durant plants a copy of a file for Ric to find on the docks (so Carly will think Durant had nothing to do it with – even though he found it). The file contains the last 10 months of records regarding Sonny’s operation – just what he needs to put him in jail. Ric tells Durant about it. With Carly listening nearby, Durant tells Ric not to use it against Sonny. Ric accuses Durant of favoring his daughter over nailing a criminal. Jordan goes to talk to Sonny about the custody case. She wants to prove that Alexis is an unfit mother because otherwise there’s no chance Sonny can win. Sonny doesn’t want to do that – neither does Jason. Jordan wants to prove that Alexis caused Sam’s baby’s death. Both Sonny and Jason say she wasn’t. Ric tells Alexis about the file. She says he has a responsibility to use it against Sonny. Ric doesn’t want to just yet because Sonny is grieving. Alexis tells him to do it anyway. Alexis is surprised to find Jason and Sam sitting with Kristina. Sam wanted to see her to be closer to her baby. Alexis understands but indicates that Kristina’s immune system is too fragile for visitors. Sonny arrives and says he wants to see Kristina. They argue a bit until Steven comes and gives Kristina a clean bill of health. Then Ric arrives with Lucky and another officer and arrests Sonny.

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11/19/2004	<p>“I Wish Things Were Different”</p> <p>Ric has Sonny arrested (much to Carly’s dismay) and brings him back to the PCPD. Alexis goes back to Kristina’s room. Mike arrives with a birthday gift for her. Alexis tells Mike she wants to keep Sonny’s family at a distance right now. She tells him that Sonny was arrested. She says she knows Sonny loves his children and would do anything for them – except change the way he lives his life. Reporters are rabid at the PCPD and try to question Ric, John and Carly as they each arrive. John tells Carly that Ric will have to present the evidence against Sonny at his arraignment. Steven is amazed that John would pass up the collar himself. John is happy Carly will be away from Sonny and she’ll never know he’s the one that nailed him – not Ric. While Sonny is booked Carly rummages through Ric’s apartment looking for the file. She finds a locked file cabinet and can’t break it open. She decides to light the place on fire and unfortunately locks herself in. Meanwhile, at the PCPD, Ric tells Sonny he wishes they could have grown up together and been real brothers.</p>
11/22/2004	<p>“Alexis Saved My Life”</p> <p>Alexis finds Sam unconscious in the snow on the roof of the hospital. When Jason finds Alexis in Sam’s hospital room afterward he warns her to stay away. Dr. Meadows and Sam tell Jason that Alexis saved Sam’s life. Meanwhile, at the PCPD, Ric tells Sonny he’ll be raising Kristina. They start to fight and then Justus arrives and offers to be Sonny’s attorney. Ric gets word that his apartment has been torched and blames Sonny. Ric finds Elizabeth in the lounge feeling bad about Sam and worried about her brother. Alexis gets off the elevator and overhears Ric tell Elizabeth that the evidence against Sonny burned up in his apartment. Later Ric finds Carly walking with Steven in his hospital room. He accuses Carly of setting the fire. Meanwhile, Alexis breaks into Ric’s apartment and steals the burned file from the file cabinet.</p>
11/23/2004	<p>“I Will Hand The Files To Ric And Send You To Prison”</p> <p>Ric tells Carly he’ll prove that she set the fire. Jordan meets up with Alexis on the docks and makes a point of telling her she’ll make sure Sonny gets full custody now that the evidence against him has been destroyed. Alexis is un-phased and walks away. Ric finds out that his personal files were destroyed in the fire and he has to release Sonny. Sonny wants Ric to write an apology that he can bring up in the custody trial. Ric refuses. Ric tells John that Carly set the fire and he’ll prove it. John says Carly had nothing to do with it because she was with him. Ric doesn’t believe it for a second. He says he’ll charge her with arson when he proves it. Alexis goes to Sonny’s penthouse and shows him the file. She says she has copies all over town. She tells him if he doesn’t sign over complete custody during the trial she’ll turn the files over to Ric and send him to prison.</p>

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11/24/2004	<p>“I Might Even Like Being Married To You”</p> <p>Sonny tells Steven there’s \$500,000 cash for him in his bedroom closet. Alexis here’s this and accuses Sonny of bribing Steven. Alexis tells Sonny to give up Kristina or she’ll hand over her file to Ric. Sonny says he’ll do what she asks. Ric arrives and tells Sonny not to harass Alexis. Ric pays Steven a visit in his hospital room. He accuses Steven of carrying out Sonny’s orders and setting his apartment on fire. Carly tells Alexis she’ll be testifying for Sonny. She thinks Alexis should compromise. Carly calls Alexis a selfish bitch. Alexis tells her she’s a hypocrite. She says that good fathers aren’t criminals. Sonny tells Jason to question anybody that had access to the file. He intends to prove that Ric obtained the file illegally so it can’t be used in court. Ric goes to John’s and asks for a copy of the file.</p>
11/25/2004	Thanksgiving. No new episode.
11/26/2004	Thanksgiving weekend. No new episode.
11/29/2004	<p>“Open Betrayal Against Sonny”</p> <p>Ric tells John he wants a copy of the file. John denies having anything to do with it. Ric says he’ll charge Carly with arson if their stories about her alibi don’t match. He questions John and then questions Carly at the PCPD and is frustrated when they’re stories match perfectly. In the mean time Alexis goes to see Sonny at the penthouse. She has prepared his testimony – giving up custody of Kristina on the stand. Alexis arrives at the PCPD and Ric is frustrated that the file is gone and that he can’t charge Carly with arson. Alexis tells him to quit looking for the file. Ric is confused. Alexis tells him she’s certain Sonny will back down on the stand. Ric suddenly realizes Alexis has the file. Ric tells her she needs to hand it over to him. She refuses saying she doesn’t think he can put Sonny to jail. Alexis explains that she’ll use the file to get Sonny to give up custody but then she’ll double cross him and hand the file over to Ric anyway. Ric is shocked. Alexis says she needs to do whatever is necessary.</p>
11/30/2004	<p>“She Had A Smile Just Like Yours”</p> <p>Jordan makes a big deal to Ric and Alexis that Alexis is an unfit mother and she’ll have no problem proving it. Alexis is un-phased. Ric encourages Alexis to use the evidence against Sonny now and now to go court at all. Alexis wants him to recant in court where it’s on the record for good. Steven tells Alexis not to make plans for Kristina to be home for Christmas. Ric comes upon Sonny showing Kristina an advent calendar he’s bought for her. Ric wants to look at it too. Sonny tells him he’s having time with his daughter alone. Ric says he thinks they can be brothers just this once. Ric holds Kristina on his lap while Sonny tells Kristina about the advent calendars his mother used to get him. Ric wants to her more about his mother but Alexis overhears them and asks Ric if she can speak to him. She tells him Sonny is exploiting his weakness.</p>

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12/01/2004	<p>“I’m Starting To Like It”</p> <p>Alexis warns Ric not to fall for Sonny’s charm and let him exploit his weakness about his mother. Ric says that everything he’s done has been for Alexis and Kristina and he hasn’t lost sight of that. Meanwhile, Sonny tells Kristina she’ll be living with him. Alexis panics. Ric takes Kristina while Alexis appeals to Sonny. She tells him he’ll scare her by telling her what he’s been telling her. Ric returns and Alexis apologizes for snapping at him. Ric says she’s been under a lot of stress and she’s not used to be on the same side as him. She says she’s starting to like it and kisses him. She hugs him tight and tells him it’ll be alright as soon as Sonny is out of their lives. Later, Alexis visits both Nikolas and Emily before the wedding. In the mean time, Sonny gets angry at Jordan for prepping Michael to testify. Later Sonny officially introduces Kristina to Michael and Carly as his family.</p>
12/02/2004	<p>No advance in storyline ☹</p> <p>Today was Nikolas’ and Emily’s wedding. Ric and Alexis were glimpsed about 5 times and had no close-ups or dialogue.</p>
12/03/2004	<p>“We Made A Deal”</p> <p>Sonny summons Alexis to the courthouse and asks her for shared custody. She refuses saying he’s chosen a life of crime and there’s a price to pay for that. The custody trial begins the next day. Alexis meets with Sonny to go over his testimony – where he hands over custody to Alexis. Michael, Courtney, Sam and Carly take the stand. When Sonny is called he says Kristina should be with him.</p>
12/06/2004	<p>“Nail Him To The Wall”</p> <p>Sonny tells the court he wants Kristina with him. Ric gives him a chance to change his mind mentioning abandoning his custody case with Carly. Sonny won’t relent. Alexis is consumed with anger and steps up to question Sonny herself. She gets him to admit the violence around him (gunshots, car bombs, etc.) She tries to get him to admit having criminal business deals but he won’t. During a recess Alexis tells Sonny they had a deal. Sonny tells her he’ll agree to joint custody. Alexis can’t accept Kristina growing up in Sonny’s world. Sonny won’t back down. Alexis goes back into the courtroom and hands over the evidence file to Ric. When court resumes Ric has Sonny arrested on the stand. Carly asks Alexis if her father is the one that gave her the evidence. Alexis won’t answer. At the PCPD Justus steps in as Sonny’s attorney. He says the file was obtained illegally. Carly and Alexis arrive and Carly objects to what’s happening. John walks in and says he stole the file.</p>
12/07/2004	<p>“She’s The Joy Of My Life”</p> <p>Durant confesses to taking the file from a box at Sonny and Carly’s. He explains how he tricked Ric into finding the file on the docks. Ric is forced to let Sonny go. Later at the courthouse, Ric apologizes to Alexis. She says it isn’t her fault. She says she knew she’s never win against Sonny but she has to try. Ric has Alexis do a mock testimony where he asks her questions about what Kristina likes to eat and play with. Ric says that Sonny is a stranger and the court wouldn’t put Kristina with a stranger.</p>

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12/08/2004	<p>“All Bets Are Off For Nikolas”</p> <p>A change in judges is bad for Nikolas when the man can't get past the idea of a child killing his grandmother. He doesn't accept Ric's deal with Nikolas for leniency and says this is a death penalty case. Alexis calls character witnesses to the stand to help Nikolas – including herself. But the judge doesn't seem phased.</p>
12/09/2004	<p>“We Have Excellent Grounds For An Appeal”</p> <p>The verdict is rendered – life without parole. Back at the PCPD Alexis tells Nikolas the change of judge gives them a chance at appeal. Ric said he's behind Alexis and will help. As he's being lead out of the station, Nikolas attempts to run and it shot by a police officer instead.</p>
12/10/2004	<p>“One Single Bullet”</p> <p>Nikolas is brought to the hospital and everyone, including Sonny, Ric and Alexis sit vigil. Alexis tells Sonny that he's surrounded by guns and she doesn't want Kristina around him. She asks Sonny to love Kristina enough to let her go. Sonny says he won't give her up. Ric and Sonny talk. Ric wonders why it's so important that Sonny be Kristina's father. Sonny explains that Mike left him and he doesn't want Kristina feeling she wasn't important enough for her father to stick around. Steven tells Alexis that Kristina is doing better than expected and she can go home next week. Alexis wants to take her home tonight but Steven says he wants to keep her even though he feels she'll be okay. Ric and Sonny to go Kristina's room to say goodnight and find her gone. Alexis has left with her.</p>
12/13/2004	<p>“She Deserves That Chance”</p> <p>Ric and Sonny discover that Alexis is missing. Sonny wants to call the police but Ric bets him not to. Ric asks for time to find Alexis and bring her back. Sonny gives him an hour. Alexis goes to Jax's. She intends to wait for him and then borrow his jet to go to Europe. Ric finds her there. They argue but Ric talks some sense into her and convinces her a life on the run isn't a life for Kristina. Meanwhile, Sonny has called Jordan to the hospital and told her Alexis took Kristina. When Ric and Alexis return to the hospital Jordan says she'll use this against Alexis in court.</p>
12/14/2004	<p>“I'm The Center Of Her Universe”</p> <p>Alexis is very nervous before court and tells Ric she can't possibly win. Ric assures her she's a good mother and she can win. Meanwhile, Sonny and Jason talk about the case on the docks. Jason tells Sonny that taking Kristina from her mother will be very hard on the little girl. He remembers back to giving Michael back the Quartermaine's. Jason tells Sonny it's his choice. Court begins with Alexis in the witness stand. Alexis recalls Christmas 2000 when Sonny was shot outside the PCPD. She said he was shot twice after that as well. Alexis appeals to the court saying that as her mother, she is the center of Kristina's world and makes her world a safe place. Jordan questions her next and exploits the fact that Alexis took Kristina from the hospital and the fact that Alexis “killed” Luis. Alexis tells the court that a person doesn't just put their child in the hands of someone that gets shot at because the child could be shot too. Sonny gets on the stand next. When questioned by Jordan he says they should have joint custody.</p>

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12/15/2004	<p>“I Agree”</p> <p>Alexis tells the judge that she doesn't find joint custody acceptable. She says that she wouldn't mind sharing custody if Sonny was really who he said he was. She says he's a mobster, not a coffee importer. At the recess Ric suggests that it might be best to compromise and take Sonny's offer. Alexis doesn't know what to do. When court is called back to session Alexis takes the offer. The judge asks for 50/50 custody but Sonny says he'd rather Kristina live full time with her mother if he can have unlimited visitation. The judge agrees. When Alexis approaches Sonny about a visitation schedule he says he can have Kristina any time he wants – starting now. Alexis and Sonny go to the hospital and Alexis hands Kristina over to him.</p>
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