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# THE EX-FILES

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# LOGLINE & HOOK

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**"She's Atlanta's top divorce attorney—so how did she forget to divorce her own husband?"**

A romantic dramedy where love, law, and legacy collide in Atlanta.

# FILM OVERVIEW

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## GENRE

Romantic Dramedy

## TONE

Being Mary Jane × The Best Man × Legally Blonde

## SETTING

Modern-day Atlanta – the city is as vibrant, complicated, and soulful as the love story itself.

## THEMES

What if the love you buried never really ended?

## VISUAL STYLE

Luxe, warm interiors (law offices, Black brunch spots, salons) with Atlanta skyline as backdrop.

## REFERENCE SHOWS

📺 The Best Man: Final Chapters

📺 Insecure

# CHARACTER PROFILE

## TAYLOR MILES (35)

Divorce queen. Brilliant, guarded, stylish.

*Believes in love—for her clients.*

## KEY TRAITS

- 🔪 Professionally ruthless
- 🛡️ Emotionally guarded
- 🎲 Quick-witted
- ★ Impeccably styled

## CASTING OPTIONS

1 **Kerry Washington**  
Known for: Scandal, Little Fires Everywhere

2 **Antoinette Robertson**  
Known for: Dear White People, The Haves and the Have Nots

3 **Logan Browning**  
Known for: Dear White People, Hit the Floor

# JORDAN COLE

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Tech millionaire, chill romantic, old flame with unfinished business.

The one who got away—and never signed the divorce papers.

## KEY TRAITS

- Ambitious but laid-back
- Still in love with Taylor
- Willing to fight for second chances

## CASTING OPTIONS

**Kofi Siriboe**

Queen Sugar, Girls Trip

**Mack Wilds**

The Wire, 90210

**Sarunas J. Jackson**

Insecure, Games People Play

# CHARACTER PROFILE

## KENDALL JAMES

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Councilman, polished, calculating when cornered.

### KEY TRAITS

- Political ambition
- Image-conscious
- Strategic thinker
- Protective of reputation

### CHARACTER ARC

From calculated politician to vulnerable man forced to confront his true priorities when scandal threatens his career.

## CASTING OPTIONS

### Y'lan Noel

Known for his commanding presence in "Insecure" and ability to portray complex characters with depth.

### Aldis Hodge

Brings gravitas and intensity to roles, with experience portraying ambitious professionals in "Leverage" and "City on a Hill".

### Laz Alonso

Versatile actor with experience in both drama and comedy, capable of portraying authority and vulnerability.

# PLOT BREAKDOWN

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## STORY STRUCTURE

Film or Limited Series Option

### **ACT I THE PAST CRASHES THE PARTY**

Taylor discovers she's still legally married to her college ex.

### **ACT II PAST VS. PRESENT**

Forced proximity, reignited feelings for new lover.

### **ACT III TRUTH HURTS**

Scandal erupts. She loses control of her career—and her heart.

### **ACT IV REWRITING THE LOVE STORY**

She chooses freedom, forgiveness, and possibly...

# TARGET AUDIENCE

## PRIMARY DEMOGRAPHIC

 Millennial and Gen X Black women (25–49)

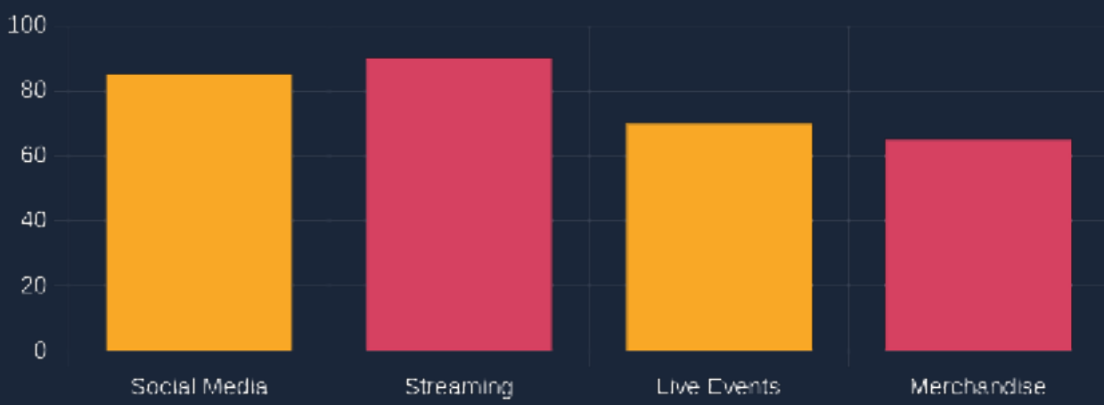
## AUDIENCE INTERESTS

-  Smart romance
-  Ensemble dramedy
-  Second-chance love stories

## POTENTIAL PLATFORMS

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|  | Lifetime |
|  | OWN      |
|  | BET+     |
|  | Netflix  |

## AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT POTENTIAL

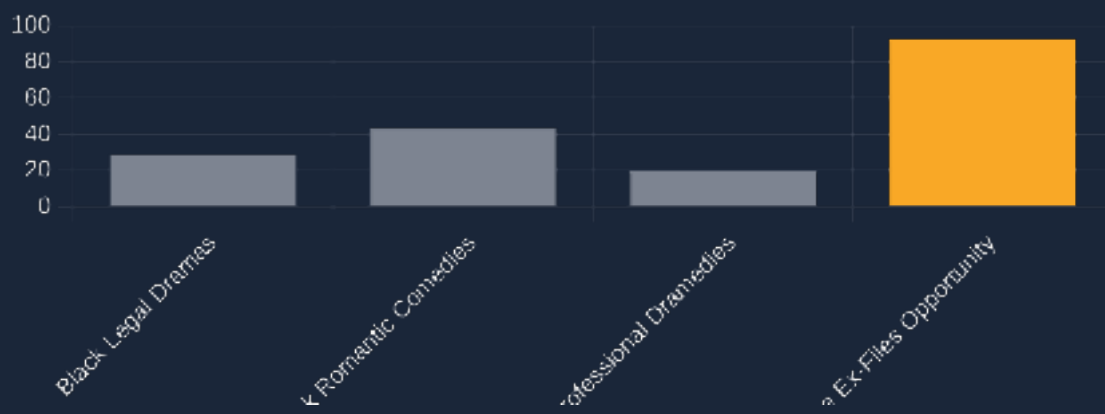


# WHY NOW / WHY YOU

## WHY THIS STORY MATTERS NOW

- Black professional romance stories are **underrepresented** in legal dramedy.
- Smart, nostalgic, and modern — taps into love, ambition, and community.
- Great vehicle for stylish leads, sharp dialogue, and emotional payoff.

## MARKET OPPORTUNITY



## WHY YOUR PLATFORM

- Perfect Audience Alignment**  
Directly targets your core demographic of professional Black women 25-49.
- Award-Worthy Potential**  
Complex characters and timely themes position the series for critical acclaim.
- Franchise Potential**  
Rich world-building allows for multiple seasons and potential spin-offs.

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**A love story with paperwork. And passion.**

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