

## Jonathan Krash biography

Krash immigrated to the United States from Poland at the age of 6. He had three other siblings, all younger than him. He spoke very little English when his parents moved to the States, and his father found a job in a New York City scrap metal yard. Krash, even at that age, was the kind of kid who stomped on ants as they crawled across the pavement, and since ants were the only things in his life he had any control over, he was pretty depressed. (In fact, that was probably the reason why he stomped on ants). His father tried to be a good person, but had a low-paying job and a drinking problem and eventually his wife left him.

When Krash was 16, he joined a local gang, The Street Hawks, and finally he had “friends” of a sort, people who were willing to stick up for him. He also began to gain power over other people. When he was 17, he and a few other lieutenants in the gang overthrew the current leader and began to run the operations. Quickly, though, Krash made sure that he was the boss of everything. Under his leadership, the gang reached new heights of power and committed daring crimes. Finally, though, the cops began to investigate them, and when the local police staged a raid on their headquarters, the gang collapsed.

Its leaders were arrested, but Krash managed to escape and went home, where his father told him to get out of the area and not to come back, telling him it was for his own good. Angry at that perceived act of betrayal, Krash stole his father's money from the bank and used it to get out of the country. He traveled to Europe, where he met with some of the best swindlers and robbers of the century, who he discovered were not gangsters, but politicians and heads of major companies. When he deemed that the matter in NY city had calmed down about three years later, he used a stolen credit card and ID (the ticket guy didn't look too closely) to get back into the US. Once he was back, he changed his last name to make sure that no one could ever link him to his family, and thus to the gang he had been a part of.

Then he started his own company, Krash Computers, and operated it successfully by taking advantage of workers in third-world countries and paying them peanuts for their work. When a news agency found out some of the human rights abuses that were going on, they contacted a private detective to get them enough evidence for a court case. When the court case arrived, Krash was taken into custody, as were his top executives. He was charged with paying his workers criminally low amounts and not even letting them maintain basic hygiene. Workers often died on the job, and since they were handling electronics, many of the chemicals they were using could be dangerous. However, Krash managed to weasel out by blaming his vice presidents and paying off the jury. After that, he shut down Krash Computers and destroyed all his files before moving to the Krispy Food Company. After punishing the foolish detective he tried to put the incident behind him. But the detective, Claude, hasn't forgotten or forgiven him in the slightest.

## Claude Baker Biography

Claude grew up in the suburbs of Philadelphia, where his father owned a large law firm. By the time he started going to school, his parents had mapped out where he was going to go to college, that he was going to study law and join his father's firm, which he would take over when his father retired. It wasn't that they were cruel, they didn't even realize that they were being over-controlling. They just wanted a good, high-paying job for their son, so that he could support himself, them and his future family.

But by the time he went to Middle School, Claude had already decided he wanted to be a detective, and he started his own detective business with another kid in his neighborhood, Bob Bobbo (who was a big, nice kid who everyone would pick on to try and get a reaction, and then would run and tell an adult he had hit them). Together, they dispensed their own idea of justice upon the bullies of their school, which understandably didn't go down too well with their teachers. After high school, Claude and Bob sort of drifted away, and Claude didn't think he would ever see Bob again, except in passing.

Claude studied law at college, but took side courses in criminal psychology and other topics he knew he would need to be versed in. He graduated with full honors, and went to work at his father's firm. He eventually decided to quit because he didn't enjoy the work, and he had to represent some obviously guilty people. He had a big argument with his parents, who didn't take the news too well. To get away from it all, Claude traveled to New York city, where he started his own successful detective business. The rest is outlined in Krash's writeup.