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All right man What's up y'all I'm Jordan Anderson This is the real and raw podcast man Agent Zero I'm here with my guest Donovan Man one of the big time stars of the baller show man We about to uh get ready So you feel me I appreciate you my daughter You feel me coming on You feel me It's the first uh episode of the podcast You feel me I'm trying to make history the first uh not too many college athletes really had you know podcasts or their own show So you know I'm just trying to do something different man but you feel me appreciate you for coming on man Uh How everything going for you man It's been good bro man I wanna give you flowers man for you know doing this bro Like this is you know this is different you know just kind of pivoting and doing different things outside of football man So I I commend you man for just you know stepping out of your uh your comfort zone But uh but I'm doing good bro I can't complain man God is good I'm up I'm moving man I'm I'm healthy So you can I ain't got no complaints bro I'm just happy to be here man Not you ain't man of that Ain't none of that So um about just kicking into the show just tell us everybody you feel me where you come from you know how you get into the uh the acting business how you get into how you get how you got to L A all that type of stuff Yeah man Well like you said man I'm Donovan Carter man Was born in Washington D CD DV man But I actually grew up out here in the South California Um went to he went grew up in the Valley San Fernando Valley Um A 18 you know that's what I say but uh that from L A you know L A see I know that that's all good cause like you know people like when outside or even L A they like we you know we're in L A because they want they wanna see like if you're from LAL A which is like you know south central Compton but I'm in the suburbs you know 30 minutes outside the city which is I really I I thought L A was just like a one city as a whole but I know it was like different like areas within L A like which is like basically cities for yeah it's it's L A spread out man It it go all the way like I feel like people just think like downtown L A you know I think that's L A or like or like the hood but like it just it go from like you know near the water near the airport downtown Culver City all the way to like where I was at the valley which is like about like 30 minutes you know depends on traffic out here Which which is always crazy man Yeah But yeah I grew up out there man My dad my dad born and

raised in L A you know wanted to get me out of L A go to the suburbs you know so I can focus on school focus on ball cause you know L A you know it's different Some parts is different and um yeah start playing football when I was two years old bro and it fell in love with it Played all the way from you know elementary school played pop winter football That's what we call it out here And um played uh high school of course start getting better start developing start getting recruited Um my 11th grade year and um yeah man UC A they came they they came recruited me I probably had like 8 10 scholarships but on my top three was UCL A um Arizona State and uh Washington And uh yeah it was gonna was gonna stay on you know on the P in the PAC the PAC 10 at that time One of the uh yeah the west coast But uh man UCL A man I just y'all know man I I got on campus and I and I just fell in love with it man I I didn't it wasn't like my dream school I didn't write I didn't even think you say was gonna recruit me cause you know just academic wise But um yeah fell went to the campus fell in love and also got um connected with the people I was a committee committee with um my fellow recruits Like we got to know each other because actually when I got there the coach that recruited me he got fired So then um Rick knew also came in and he kinda had to like re recruit me and uh but you know me and my my fellow uh future classmates we was like you know what we just gonna stay together and we gonna you know try to change the culture That's a big thing too because I that's the same thing that happened to me for real when I uh when I was getting recruited by Bowling Green at first the uh coach that had recruited me and I committed to he got fired And then literally like I'm like everybody everybody in the chat like yeah what y'all gonna do you're gonna be commit and then you know me I had a couple of big offers So everybody thought I was I was gone once that happened So then I was just thinking what what was your other option So really man with me I had so I I got offers at um when I first started high school like in grade on the 11th I got I had some big offer My first offer was Syracuse and then with me being greedy I was not thinking man I was waiting for the big big offers like Michigan Michigan State Ohio State not thinking like the schools that's that's that's to recruit me now that you feel me that's the ones you should look at don't you But yeah I was waiting I was waiting too long and then I didn't know nothing about recruiting class filling up and like you can only have 25 scholarships So that's what really got me going So really when I started I was like all right now it's time to commit Coach is like well you know our class already full we was trying to get you but you wasn't you feel

me wasn't budging and they was like you either gotta wait until somebody uh de commit or uh just be eligible I'm like man that's crazy And then with me being like one of the top players in the state this is the first year that uh the early signing day came out So everybody is is is for me they waiting for me to to sign early So I'm like dang I gotta I gotta figure something out So then so then I think it was between at first it was between Syracuse Syracuse Iowa and then the Mac schools it was between Toledo and uh bowling green That was right They right that hour and 30 from the crib you know it was right down 75 from Detroit So I feel like that was that was close enough where my family can come or if something happened I can get back home But yeah when that was going on I was like well my coach said like yeah maybe you feel me you can just lock something in right now for something to fall back and then going into your senior season something pop up Then you got it So yeah I uh I committed to uh bowling green you know just not even thinking of it for real for real but I was you know coming to bowling green and then they were saying like yeah you know you number one in our class you got a good chance of playing as a freshman and that woke up that woke my eyes up for real You know I'm trying to play immediately immediately And then while in uh senior while my senior year I had a couple of coaches come um just look at me like coaches from uh Iowa and then on signing day it was a lot of big schools trying to get me to flip but then I was like man I ain't I ain't gonna do it like that man I ain't nobody's 2nd 2nd chance you know or second option I really wasn't going for it So yeah I feel you bro I gotta stand on your you guys for sure But yeah I mean no it's it's tricky cause like yeah when I when uh my you know my CS got fired it's like that you know you try to yeah you figure out like what you wanna do and and like back back then so we just had the first signing day So um I was just like man I'm just like already like you said scholarships already filling up I don't even know they got a spot for me and um and like I just knew I I want to go to UCL A anyway man Like it was just the education good shit I was I was from L A I'm home all this home man And um yeah like I said me and my my future teammates we just we just bonded we was like man we gonna we gonna change the coach It don't matter who the coach is we gonna change the coach We definitely did the same thing just that that bond building with the with the recruits that's gonna become your future teammate That's that's big for sure Yeah Yeah that brotherhood man It's it's everything man Definitely miss it like when you get done you know that same uh the same brotherhood But yeah that's crazy My my coach he said the same thing when I was getting

recruited he showed me like the positions and he was all like all right now because I think it was only 33 scholarships from my position and he was like two people committed So he's like if any he showed me like my name and all the other people they was recruiting He's like if anybody committed like I gotta call everybody and tell them never mind I'm like you no no I'm committed there I I gonna give you a soft commitment like literally And that happened to me before with another college a coach had came into the school called me in his office Yeah we're gonna we're gonna offer you www they like yeah we wanna uh get you on camp as soon as possible with your parents So you can visit you feel me da da da da da And then maybe not even five hours later that night got a call Yeah somebody committed Uh we gotta take your offer back I'm like it's crazy man That's what I was like yeah this this is really a business It's a business Yeah it's crazy It's it's a crazy business man But uh so once you got on UCL A man just tell me how that transition from you you know high school just the UCL A and just in college and just in general Yeah it was it was a lot It was a lot Um because when I first got in we started summer school right away Like we had we had we started summer school so I'm taking classes like I literally graduated high school on like a Thurs like a Thursday and then I gotta start I gotta start summer school Monday Like so I I had like I had like just that weekend off so we got right to it got right in the spring got right in the summer summer practices and just just showing just how like it's so hard you know how hard you gotta work man You know you gotta really love the game When you get to college I learned I learned quick cause you you gotta get up every day bust your butt you gotta go to class you know time management But um but it was also fun too you know you got your freedom you feel you you're growing up you becoming you you're a young boy you be coming until you know a young man a man You got responsibility But um yeah it was a lot man It took a minute for me to like adjust not more like the speed but just like everything going on You said it's a quarter system trying to figure out my man I like a quarter system I'm like what it fast bro So and I never I mean I ain't stupid But II I never feel like no brainiac like I did I didn't really school wasn't like I play I play ball Oh I I went to school for ball you know like like like the I like and I'm just like man if it wasn't for that that was what kept me eligible That's what kept me like that's your that was your job kept me going But then also but then also looking back now I'm older like man I wish you know you you paid a little more attention It just took it more serious and just started off started off like on a good note because I started

off slow I feel like during my first year I was on academic probation subject dismissal like that was about to get you out of here man So I had to like I had to grow up man how to how to figure out like what am I here for you know you you here to party or you here to go to school get your education involved right So you know but sometimes you need you need to go through that you know avers to kind of wake up and um and also my time there we had a bunch of different coaching changes Like I already said the dude that recruited me he got fired before I got there I had a new coach He he kept he kept a couple of coaches he he he gonna bring his people in he brought his people then he he kept some coaches on defense but that that didn't really work So every year like I had two head coaches my whole career because Coach Moore came in my last year and then but you had a different position coach a different um defensive coordinator every year So just that you just going through the um the poli you know football politics too like you said it's business So going through like this coach and recruit me So he don't know me So he you know you don't you don't you don't you ain't owe nothing in this world but he recruit me So you know some some coaches like me some coaches don't So every year every spring ball I'm I'm fighting just to just to get on the field Like not even not even like I'm I'm wow you wanna start That's your goal But I just I'm just trying to get in rotation So I was going through that which was like kind may like may like some years better than others you know some some years is more fun than others But like I said I wanted for that brotherhood like my teammates you know pushing me on because it was sometimes bro I was like man like man I don't I don't know this for me you know you wanna quit Are you over it Like I'm waking up I'm busting my butt every day like for what I might get off you know I don't feel like I'm getting a fair chance and you and you know you know like not even know you not cocky like you but you know like you better than a person better than d or just as good mistakes I know for sure Um Just kind of going through that perseverance man but you know ma made me am today So II I don't have no regrets like if I had to look back cause even now you know you could transfer like you know how you came in and I'm like yeah like cause like I feel like one little change could just you know change your whole your whole life and can help you for sure Yeah So you know I stuck it out and um yeah got you know got my degree went to cause I cause I was thinking about leaving but I'm like all right what am I gonna do I'm gonna go I I either gotta go to Juco bounce back or I gotta go to you know respect fee like you know who cares state you know and uh and Delaware or some

shit like and I ain't gonna be happy either I'm gonna be like this is terrible So I just thug it out man Made it do what to do play ball as long as I could and then I was like you know what I'm gonna figure it out when it's time No Yeah definitely That perseverance where that that definitely hit hit different for sure cause that's how I was When you when I first got into uh college with me just being a starter you feel me I'm the man I'm the man in high school man top player in the state all of that And I come here and I'm third on the depth chart Crazy crazy ain't no way And then literally like I said the all the coaching staff they they got fired So then it's a it's a old it's a old grubby man and the coach NFL for 40 years on defense I know everything You think a freshman chance I'm like oh man I was on then when they put me on that track that summer camp fall cap My first fall cap The worst ever I won was that on nobody else in my life man I'm telling you what people know People know The first fall came back Bowling Green State University The the worst ever the worst ever We was getting up at like 531 leaving at 10 p.m. Crazy do that 39 That was the point But no it's just the fact like me I was calling I was calling my mom like during fall camp I'm like I'm like man this shit like how you like it Like what I'm like I hate it here like you feel me like I ain't playing I ain't doing none of that And then like I talked to my coach you feel me like well he like you ain't you ain't did nothing You feel me Like what you you expecting something I'm like and that stuck with me I'm like I'm like you right Everybody gotta start over and then that's why I'm like I just gotta you feel me dig deep in the ground like I ain't did nothing And then like you said like you feel miss people in front of you that that you know ain't better than you and they making mistakes But you feel me still getting that opportunity So it was just like you gotta you gotta put your head down and grind man That's really what it that's really what it was And then even when When I when I I also I started as a freshman I got moved up but because I was grinding even like you said just still persevering like you we was I was starting but like we were winning for real we was going through and no I think we went with we went three and nine second year It was Kobe year So we only have five games We went over five and yeah crazy Then the next year we got a little bit better We had a big upset but we still only won with four games And then this last year we went we finally got some got some stuff cooking when 66 made a ball game But it's just like a ball game Yeah just like that It's like the perseverance out of them Four years You feel me It's like I didn't stay down I didn't stay down It was brought in the whole time for sure Especially coming from like uh a win

program you know like if he was good at high school and yeah that that was tough for me because my like my senior year like so we only lost one game literally and uh going to UCL A my first we was four and eight and I'm just like man like what's you know I'm not you you a you ain't here to this again and then getting 40 points and then honestly like the people that was there like respectfully like they was used to losing and I just I'm just like I'm like I like y'all like y'all don't y'all don't care then it then it kinda like gets on you like well shit why am I caring Like I'm not you already not give me no you already not letting me get the get on No no you're not you're not letting me compete We suck They don't care So I'm like shit what am I caring for Like so I was just you know just trying to navigate through that find your identity and then finally when Coach Moore came in he kinda like switched all that up you know which I was what year was that That was uh my last year I was 2012 2012 Yeah So like I wish I wish like should I wish he was there the whole time honestly But you know it is what it is like you know I I appreciate coach new for give me opportunity cause he he didn't he didn't have to as well honor my scholarship like you said uh he the receiver call little Jerry man Shout out Jerry man He he he a good DJ Jerry good coach man And his dad was cool too It just just you know sometimes it just don't work out who was on that team that you know is anybody that was in League Ekek still in the league Eric Kendrick Brad Holey play for the charge for the charges Yeah I play with bro too by the way Oh You play you play with Uh oh yeah Oh yeah yeah he nice That's my that's why he a play Yeah No no he can Nice bro Like he different like he he still the league for a reason Um A bar He not in the league right now A lot of dudes kinda end their career which is crazy Uh But yeah a bar was on a team Um My boy Jonathan Franklin he he he he got drafted he got hurt though but he worked for the Rams Um he the all time leading Rusher at UCL A Um I said Huntley Dayton Jones um Cassius Marsh We had a few man We had a few like people like before That was dogs too But they just didn't we just wasn't winning They didn't they didn't get the opportunity He was the all timely rush but even y'all wasn't winning Yeah Yeah it was tough man But yeah he just he was one he was just grinding like you said put your put your nose down just just keep working keep working be for real Yeah if you ain't winning you might as well get you That's all like man you're trying to help your team the best but it's like hey you gotta at the end of the day you do gotta put you gotta put that work in you have to cause you got goals you know whatever your goals especially if you you wanna go to league man you

you gotta you gotta you gotta produce you gotta make plays you gotta have that So you gotta do what you gotta do for your for your family your legacy production Definitely big So um how you into the uh into the acting business man UCL A Yeah man After I got done I was training wanted to still pursue football Um just but that's only because I didn't know what I wanted to do honestly like I didn't II I should have a plan B should have network you know I should have would have could have but I was like you know I still wanna play ball Is that my I mean to cut you off that like the the realization moment of you feel me after football like what you gonna do Not once you feel me it ain't no league shit It's scary bro You like I heard it a couple of times I heard a couple of times and people be like yeah you go you ain't gonna know what to do but you know obviously I don't wanna I don't wanna go to you and everybody gonna go through it for sure Yeah it scary bro I mean yeah hopefully like yeah it work out You don't have to worry about it till later Like you already at least once you out of the league you got some cushion like you know I can I can I can figure it out but yeah before that it's scary cause you like but I mean I had a feeling before cause my senior I kinda knew cause I wasn't I wasn't playing as much and I'm just like dog you ain't even playing now like how you gonna get to the league but I just reality I just wasn't ready to face like that it's over So I was like you know I'm just gonna ride it ride this pause until the wheels fall off and then but I just I wasn't ready to face reality and then when I when I got cut then it was really like reality hit me It was like I'm on the way back home and I'm just like man like like it's really over like shit I'm crying I'm just like man you know it's like it's like getting your heart broken like for real you know like you about to propose to like love your life and she say no and you like man what I I didn't got the ring I got the house like I'm I've got things I got things to cash out boy I'm telling you it's always tough but like it's like you feel me like can't feel bad you know you can't feel you can't feel down your so you know you gonna you gonna go through it through a rough can't feel down on something You gotta get yourself out of that hole And I was just like man I gotta I gotta figure it out It ain't it ain't here and it's gonna be something and I at the time I didn't even think it was gonna be acting I just was like I just gotta do something cause all my friends was in the league or they was doing things and my thing is like man I don't wanna get left behind like a year from now like shit I'm still trying to kick it with my homies cause you know how it is You you you I mean you growing and you see people that's not and you know you gotta leave some of the people behind and and

and it's unfortunate it's tough like it's part it's part of life you know I mean even probably being out here right now you in California some of the people back home you know you you gonna talk to you gonna text but it ain't it you busy it's gonna be the same And I tell you uh well basically hopefully like a lot of some people do and that but for the most part a lot of people do understand that Like I'd be busy for real people just for like doing football in school Like they don't know like the athletes schedule how it is in college already But then you feel me especially with me doing this I was gonna add on to that But I feel like for the most part people have been understanding about about what that is and like some of my like some of my closest friends like we don't talk every day but they know it's like well they can call me anytime you feel me Something happened they know I'm there give me one call away So I feel like that's that's the that's the best part about our bond and our relationship But I always tell myself that like I always be like man whatever I do I know I can't go back to Detroit and you feel me just and just not be you feel me not be somebody be a regular person Like I didn't do all of this so far It's like I can't go I can't go back Nah Yeah you won't bro Like I feel like that's like things like that you know just keep me on mind Keep me your mental But um but you had to answer your question again Yeah it was it was it was tough bro It was tough but you gotta go through it you know just like you said I wanna go back Detroit I was like man I should I I got goals I got things I wanna do and then um but still didn't know like what I wanna do but I said you know it's not in this house I gotta get out I gotta figure it out You know the world is about networking and meeting folks So I was like you know what what better place to do than to go back to UCL A And um I went back talked to my coaches I was like cause I was applying for jobs you know trying to do things But you know being a student athlete we don't got time you know you you find the time for this which is a blessing but we don't got time to intern We ain't got time to work a regular job No I didn't have no I didn't have no resume Like I didn't have no work experience So I'm going in there trying to get a job and they like they like nah where's you know where's your experience Literally And I'm getting confused I'm like well how do you how do you get experience if you don't give me a chance I'm getting frustrated So I'm like you know what Let me go back to school I was like I figured you know they got these boosters they got these donors I'm like man somebody gotta be hiring on relationship for sure And I was like I'll start in the mail room I don't care Like I'm on my now now I'm in a real world and now I'm like I got bills I got like I got real life is different

in a room and I'm like I am and like I'm you know I'm trying to live a straight path like I ain't trying to I don't wanna you know cause you you can go one or two ways for you Definitely So I'm like you know what I don't wanna go to jail and I don't wanna die So I was like you know what I'm I'm gonna I'm gonna do it the right way It might take a long time So I just was just hungry to do whatever And then um yeah my coaches gave me a number about doing the commercials cause I saw like I got it I I saw got on to set got to like learn about you know the business I was like just a uh extra just in the background doing like football commercials So I was like OK that's cool Like you know I was enjoying it and um I was auditioning doing stuff for like you know commercials Uh but like most time they just wanted like your body just wanted a body They just want a body Every I was I would say like a couple like 12 liners you know I didn't get booked for nothing but like I was getting like call back which I like OK that's cool But still it wasn't like I wanna be on the acting thing I was just like I saw the commercials Cool cause they you get the decent money You don't gotta do too much But then yeah randomly through the grace of God man the coaches got an email about balls cause they was looking for um football players to audition for the role They had an open casting call So I think they had actors do it But um I don't know they probably just didn't like what they were seeing or it wasn't it wasn't authentic So y'all just randomly got an email dog and um you got the time in uh like I said I didn't have nothing going on with the jobs I didn't have no plan B and uh honestly when I got the when I got the email I I wouldn't even go because you know like fear setting because you like this is something I never did It's out your cover zone Yeah out of my comfort zone Exactly And I was doing a commercial and I wasn't getting booked for that So you know you got that little voice in your head that kind of um you know say things But then luckily like I talked to one of my other teammates he had he had the same opportunity and I talked to my pops and my pops are just like man you know what the hell else you got going on here just go for it And I it's like and he was like I was like all right pop you know you're right So then should I went for it man And man best decision I've ever made in my life man It was it was a it was a game changer bro And with no experience like zero like I'm off the streets you know literally like literally like but I was natural They like that They I was young cheap Everybody said we gonna give this dude a chance And I was like that's and that's that's all you need you need even to this day all I all you need is a chance And um and you know thank God I you know I showed up like I didn't know I didn't

know what I was doing but I used like the things I learned in ball and the things I learned in life and I was just me and uh man it worked out man God is good man Definitely definitely No that's crazy Just to be on that type of platform with no experience And you know you don't see too many uh opportunities like that man man And people was mad They were I myself was they was happy but then it'd be people in the business like 20 years and they be trying and they be like what you just you just wanna this is your first audition it go do and then shit after that I was like yeah this is what I wanted I I got on set they say get the bug I got I got the I got the bug I say yeah I wanna do this forever man It was a good time man Like I said how was that experience Just because you wanna you wanna a set with with the rock man And like what's crazy is bro Like the when that show first came out man I was like I'm like yeah this is crazy I'm like this is crazy bro He was younger too I was like I was young he was a freshman or was he even in college or in college I was when when did the show come out it first come it came out in 2014 He was saying I think I would if I was I was just getting into high school If that I'm like yeah I was talking with my old my oldest brother I'm like yeah this show crazy man Like you watch the show I'm like no And then like just I like I said it's a heavy actors on there You got you got the rock obviously Um the dude Joe he didn't been in he had been in some in some crazy time machine I'm like it's it's like you've been around it's all types of athletes in there and everything Like how was how was that experience man It was dope man Cause like everybody kinda knew where I was at II I beginning I felt like a rookie or like a freshman Yeah he got you know you got you got it's like I feel like it's like you know it's like if I went to like an Alabama like Ohio State or you know you got all these like all these dudes that that's already established and they already got a name for themselves But um yeah it was cool man It was such a good experience Everybody was kind bro Everybody was cool I it really felt like I was on a team again like like go from Me Sole and that's the thing I kind of missed a lot was like that team aspect and just you know being the camaraderie and everything but everybody kinda understood like the big picture and um and we just and we just we all as a cast we all clicked like as soon as we got there like was it no ego Was it No Um nobody and no entitlement No prima donnas whatever you wanna say like everybody knew the objective and they knew like it you know they knew like the potential of like what it was gonna be and then it kinda took it kinda like eased the pressure off me a little bit because I'm like all these people is professional just like ball I gotta do is my

job All I gotta do is my character name is Vernon And all I gotta do is be the best Vernon and I'm gonna show up and I'm gonna know that you know I'm gonna know that they gonna do their thing they gonna do their thing and I can just have a day just like in ball All I gotta do is you know I'm D line I got this a gap or B gap I know I know back backer I know my backer is gonna do their thing People on left and right everybody gonna do So let's shoot let's have fun Let's have a day Definitely Definitely How was the how was it working with the with the rock man bro Like because I'm I was a big wrestling fan I watch wrestling too much when I got older But then people really be like on the wrestling stuff too like but I um excuse me um I'm such a big wrestling fan bro So when I met him I was just like you know I'm starstruck but it was tough because the first time I met him we had a table read and like nobody's met him so everybody starstruck So I really didn't get a chance to like I just kind of said what's up you know you know introduce myself And then yeah that was it And then it wasn't until like we came back We well I did I did when I did the pilot too Uh My the scene I'm talking I'm on the phone but he uh he not even in the scene with me So I didn't even get to meet him Like when we did the first episode like like I I didn't see him again Like we we we did we did the first episode of January and then we didn't start filming till no till November like later that year So I didn't see him till November and like now we hit it now now now the show got picked up and uh we had a scene my my first scene was the first day of work is uh is my scene I'm working with him And uh and yeah we like cause like you don't really get to interact too much with him beforehand because he just busy Like he he like he probably you know said when he went so you see him when it's time to go So we never really rehearse and they just throw me they just throw me in the fire and they like action and um pause I locked eyes with him and I just I can't think of nothing dog I'm like man I didn't not not one line you know you just don't bring there So actually I had to go to the side I was like I had to get out of you know I need to tighten up Yeah tighten up to get myself together But he came he came through man you know grabbed me on the shoulder He was like man like you good bro Like we believe in you here for a reason because he probably seen you know you can see the you can see it in the eyes Somebody somebody see you ain't supposed to see you like yeah so like he can see but like you know he like he just he liked that He lead by example and like he he like I'm glad for that He he gave me that pep talk but a lot of times you know he just lead like how he how like I said example I said like he he he cool with everybody you know

everybody name he easy to work with man like who like who who you see why he's so blessed He's a good person man Like yeah he like you ain't gonna hear nobody say nothing bad about it And I would work and I would work with him any time you know and like I feel like in this business some you know you run into people or you like I'm cool even on the team you know some of your teammates you work with like we are brother but after you I'm about to hang out with you you know like I be like that for like you just a man I I can't even we cool from a distance It just be like that for real But he cool though like he just man busy man like like just to see how you just balance everything with his family work and then outside of work his business and everything Like he just a true a true inspiration bro And this he has been a blessing work with him in the beginning Most of my stuff was with him and um and it was just you know it was amazing to have and like you know and just use that and like do what I want with it Got you I know you had in the show you had like a close uh relationship with supposed to be Reggie Did that did that like correspond or like correlate to like real life or Yeah I mean I you know with him or just with him cause like I know like y'all was in the like in a relationship I mean y'all was in the in the show y'all relationship was cause that like yo yo Right Yeah I mean it was different cause like I never knew him beforehand and like he he he wasn't like I had auditioned 10 times for the show OK But his character wasn't booked yet So like because he wasn't even in the pilot he can't he he they put him in like later in the season excuse me So I didn't really meet him until like later on in the process then and then I felt like his was like sped up a little bit more than mine And all of a sudden it was like he booked and your best friend And I was just like man I don't even know this dude So I want beforehand we was like really hanging out So I'm like it's just hard for me to like to pretend to be boys and I don't even know you That's what I'm saying I'm like so I'm like you know what like let's hang out and it was crazy because the first season he got he got hired late so he didn't have a spot So he actually was he actually like I told him my man you could just you know stay stay with me until your spot Get ready So he sit in and like we we both we on we both on a you know potential his show like you know what I'm saying But it it's still to grind though Like we we we we sharing a spot like he ain't even got a he ain't even got a place he got to sleep on blow up mattress But I'm just like man like we like we still in the grind like you know like we ain't there yet but like we you know we gonna get there but now he hella cool B he from he from L A South Central man Cool dude Obviously our our relationship grew

over time and then we will see we will see a lot of each other because most of my scenes was all of my scenes were but man he like he a cool dude like man cool dude Hell yeah comedian funny dude Like you know we he didn't play no ball but we you know we got we got a lot of things in common here and like you know still still you know still checking on my guy today man because uh you he pee in a new power so that the show man you hear the raising Kan one That's what I've been waiting to come back out I think December will come out So you definitely tapping with him man just to you know cause like I feel like it's called like ball like anybody I play ball with it Like you my brother So it's like I work with if we if we if we get that bond and you know like you a friend for life I got you So like the the of the show is was crazy You know you got you got you feel me sexy and the and the bad you love and stuff that HBO like that literally But it was it like that that it's turnover to like in like real life like say you feel me yall if yall was going out to the club like once the show got popping obviously you know y'all out of L A or y'all in Miami you feel me y'all out Like how is that life Like though man shit like is the life I know first season was rough cause like didn't nobody know the show so we still like you know we we still we still finesse we still trying to figure it out like like but second season oh man it was on a cracking Like I feel like I played for the heat We moving like like I shit I'm I'm getting in more than than the dude I do here Like but it was like it was love bro like in Miami it's it's like that was my first time out there It's an amazing city Like if if I if your viewers if you ain't been please go crazy I was listen I was I was pledging man My my whole house went to whole house of teammates went to Miami spring break sick When I tell you I was sick I was like oh my Yeah you gotta make it down there I got a good I love the show I heard is crazy But I already know like from you though cause you cause you was a big time actor I I'm like yeah I know it's true We was in the mix cause like that thing about football a little bit like you got the helmet on So like no like if you're like an Adele or like you know somebody big time they might know or like are you just like a really a big fan But like yeah we on TV your face like and I don't look too much different like I you know I ain't had no be you know what I'm saying Like I I look how I look so yeah we we yeah we was we was getting anywhere though It wasn't no problem whoever I was with But then but then that's the difference between L A and Miami like Miami love L A even with the show on certain places But L A no love like that's crazy Lal A crazy like some spots like that's why I like to go like well I know but some places you know they hit you with the

uh you like you like me I just walked there and then and then they then they like I know who you are and I'm like what what you like So you know so so so I'm still I'm still behind the rope I don't understand So but yeah I'm just like you I I I'll argue I say all right bro like I know I'm gonna get I'm gonna I'm I'm gonna go to another spot But Miami man even still now to this day I still start places you can go and like I might especially especially with the show not being on Netflix Yeah Yeah It just went on Netflix So that was cool And what was cool about Miami too but like they don't really they ain't really film too much stuff out there really So like I think like we us was filming and this other show in the Keys So I think just to like have that type of show and like bring opportunities to this city like for like people to work and other jobs man Like they really like they really showed us love and y'all had an amazing time and I I love 305 You always want to go to Sky Badie and you in the DM It's crazy It was crazy bro It was it was crazy But I but I was glad to like be from L A be from big city because Miami also is like it's a lot it's a lot it's a lot going on It Stay open it it's it's open 24 hours Like you said it's beautiful women out there You get lost in the songs easy So I was glad to like I went to UCL A experience what I experienced I I have regrets I partied I did all that you know we got we got cute girls in L A too So when I really got to and they all said man I'm here to work like all the other stuff like it's gonna come later like you you don't mess you don't want to mess up the bag Like I said you could be out you could be out too you could be out all night and then I got my call time is like 536 in the morning So you know I I need I need a good night rest I need to make sure you know I got my stuff together like you don't wanna be rolling from the club to set and you know you gonna be looking crazy because camera catch it all So I was just like man you know I just I had to I had to make sure like I I had to keep my main thing my main thing out there But when I was off and it was tough because I was young like everybody else was old The old did that in the past that So I'm like I'm like I was like 2526 fresh and I'm just out mobbing bro sometimes just by you know by myself figure it out You can do that But I had a good time and every song my my co stars they went out with me a couple of times and we we had a good time We had a good time and that's what life about I feel like just making memories So uh you know when you get older man you can just sit back and laugh and literally I got I got memories not from from like my past undergrad years even though this is my last year in college You you enjoy it enjoy it bro Cause yeah like this is the I mean people say college the best times you know it's good times I feel

it I feel like it's gonna be better times but you definitely like man it's still like you know I'm still cool with my college people We still like just be laughing just be thinking about you know cause I'm tired cause they are special times man Cause like you like you grown you're not an adult dude but you you grown close you you a like all the way here real real life real life yet So it's like a good time cause it's like the in between the in between stage So yeah man I had to access I know like in the show like y'all was going crazy Like you say you don't want to mess up the bag but like in the show like you people going crazy and messing up the bag So I'm like I know that it's a balance It's a balance But it was fun though man Like I call pop some like pops is crazy It's 100 and 50 Ks out here and he like he like you went you went to college like like you know like you see girls I said no it's different I said we in one game in the mall and like but when 100 and 50 baddies it was tough though because it was season one So they didn't they like they know I was quite yet but it's not you know you ain't you ain't gotta say you ain't gotta say who but it's been it's been some like some some baddies that's been on TV That that got in the DM I know you probably didn't see you slid in the DM Oh yeah for sure Yeah for sure You know a couple you know more like reality But then it's like what But then it's like when you see them though like they like some of them know they know they was fans So that was like it was cool but it's like neutral Like I'm fans of you too and I go up I'm like oh shit I'm done and they be like I'm like I know I know who I'll be like I'm like oh I don't listen but that's what's up though like But yeah definitely definitely Um definitely with some action you know but you but you know you gotta you gotta be selective you gotta be careful of that Definitely for sure So what's going on as far as I know you said it was like you've been in the act actors been on a strike right now Yeah yeah we met actors actors been striking writers been striking Writers just got done with their strike Thank God and the actors we we still negotiating we still we still in the in the middle of it right now So what's the what's like the deal behind all of that Why is it why uh it's writers and actors on strike right now It's a it's a few things it's a few things One is um a I um like they wanna use artificial intelligence with the with the background people with the actors but they don't want to pay you for that you know just it's almost like similar to like now with the image of like this like you want to use my likeness but you wanna pay me So we ain't with that Um And also uh for the streaming um for these for these like for these Netflix and Hulu and Amazon like the streaming money just it it ain't right even right now like you said my show on

Netflix which is a blessing It's been extra exposure extra things things are coming in the future But you we I ain't got a say I got a I got a say from that I got I've got residuals though you know thank God for being on HBO But yeah it's been on there you know it's been a it's been a top 10 show for like yeah shoot since it's been out you know for the most part And uh yeah I haven't haven't got none of that So we fighting for that and then uh you know just just uh just other you know little things too just you know just to be just it's all about being fair you know you gotta get yours at the end of the day for all your hard work Yeah that's what I think in these studios They're making a lot of money you know So it's like just about being about being fair for certain things But um but yeah yeah we striking So it's been kinda slow So hopefully that pick up So how long he's been going for man Shoot like at least like go going on like since April for real And it's crazy because that's the spring time I think I heard something about that or like I was talking to somebody It was like yeah like I think like actors on strike is like you been saying like no movies like getting put out like for real Not too much not too much a little bit they've been pushing stuff back but the thing to it ain't been like no like no no good stuff like that Like I think the one movie with uh Denzel was called The Equalizer I didn't even know that came out I was like they can't do no promo that's what it has been affecting stuff A lot a lot of people are trying to hold off um to come out with stuff but you know some some some things like they just like you know it is what it is We just gotta you know I feel like you got like a certain time when you gotta come out with stuff but yeah it should be should be when it's over It should be a flood of of you know new content man and you get back to it man But yeah it's been a grind though man It's I mean I feel like it's fa acting in film and TV is just as um um competitive as like trying to be a professional athlete You got a lot of people trying to trying to do this man trying to be actors everything Yeah Yeah be in the business So it's it's been tough man Been challenging but um but it's still fun though man I'm still still like still still dream chasing still going out to the Dream and you know God wouldn't get on you know another another good series uh in a in a film and just you know just keep it rolling But then also like learning like make moves outside of you know they just business Yeah like cause it's a lot of opportunities outside man especially now these days And um and yeah you gotta get you know you gotta get multiple streams of income coming in and that's the plan cause even even you know now you're seeing like other like actors and even like the Magic Johnson lebron you seeing them making all these moves outside of their

main thing but they're also using the connection because like being in that position you get to meet you know different people and some people would normally meet and you just gotta parlay them you know parlay them relationships So you doing like I know you said you you should be streaming uh cod Call of Duty and stuff Yeah y'all got into the game world getting into that more man like streaming more you know like I I um I hosted a couple like tournaments during COVID and like broadcasting and I was like man cause honestly my my last the last season of my show my character was a gamer and it just opened up he played League of Legends which which I didn't even know I never heard of It was a real thing and and and I didn't know gamer was a real thing until I cause I was just used to like I've always like love playing like Playstation you know with the homies are playing at home or playing online But I didn't know like they had tournaments and people was getting paid I didn't know that was a whole uh I don't know that was a whole thing So I was just like like damn this is crazy and it kinda like brought some opportunities and just opened up my mind to it and I miss all for like you know if I'm gonna do something else I wanna do something I enjoy to do cause I cause I'm the one that got to do it So y'all been getting into the game and um real estate because I feel like you just hear a lot of people like even my family we my grandpa my grandparents they bought property a long time ago and um and still got it to this day and just see like I think just the um the benefits of like you know income property that if that's like flipping or or tenants you know whatever you know I think I mean it do got some struggles I think I see Cardi B the day the other day say she rather have Perkins than uh than tenants But um but I mean her tenants a crazy crazy Yes it's it's crazy but I mean I get like going through it II I get a little bit because tenants they are they they a headache bro And like people ain't been paying rent and all that stuff and it just like but I feel like it's nothing like owning something having some you know you could all whatever you wanna do it If you you know God only got good tenants or you want or you wanna flip it or you wanna you know hold on to it You know you are if shit if some somebody the fan you always can you know and do something else with it So yeah flip it flipping That's a hustle for real for real Back in the back in the city man It's cra it's crazy Your city is like crazy man and then it and then it went up but just think if you like have something and you like kept on kept kept a hold of it especially like your your grandparents or your parents And then and then really like you know really like being patient The thing is just the pas like not everybody is um is willing to be that patient because i it's it's definitely like you know like one of them things uh is it playing long ball with with the real thing But then um and then yeah I got all of us in a restaurant um a couple of years ago so that it is called the Hideaway and uh that opened up We've been opening up like over like going on two years now Yes In Beverly Hills bro Off Rodeo Yeah it's called the hideaway Yeah Yeah you gotta check it out Ok Yeah I I met some Mexican food I've been in Rodeo I think What twice since I've been I got you you got to got to Yeah certain things You gotta why you here bro you when you got the time I said the time Yeah and energy But but I mean but I think L A is is is big So you you can't you know you ain't gonna see it all and you live here you still it's still things I'm like I didn't even know I've never been in this part of L A That's crazy But uh yeah just trying to like keep my eyes and ears to different things you know that makes sense And um you know like like acting came out of nowhere and it wasn't something I imagine or hope and it and it worked out and do other things I never did So you know just like I said you know just networking meeting the folks you know taking advantage of you know these relationships because that's what it's all about man Like it's all about relationships Speaking of that we share a common bond man common f for me part of the greatest fraternity in the world you make a sci fi fraternity incorporated me more Obviously you feel me We we share that Tell me like what was your what was like your mindset of going out First off how you feel me discover how you wanna how how did you get into that Yeah man I made you wanna be the brothers just put it that way Shoot man I ain't gonna lie like I don't I don't I don't really have like any like my dad's not the brothers my grandpa's not the bras but it was just something about it Just something about the purple and gold the boots I think I didn't like being from Cali We don't have like we don't have the H BC Like we got we got one black college and that's a grad school That's a that's Charles Drew University in Compton But like some people on HBU they don't even know that they like do but we don't have like none on the west coast So it wasn't a thing and then I I ain't gonna lie I wasn't until like drum line and like ST the yard when I was like seeing like about fraternities cause I always see like white fraternities you know Avenge of the nerds and like that type of stuff But I was like oh there's black fraternities and I'm just like and I'm like man like you know I'm just learning I'm like you know it's a whole another world and then I get to UCL A and I'm just like you know I'm like I'm th I'm thinking it's gonna be like in the movies but y'all don't really gonna see too many like black Friends I just see you know on the White Friends and I'm

just like man like I don't wanna do that Like I wanna do something you know like like like different that's gonna be like you know forever and then um like but it was it was still like you slaves lamb the chapter So it city was so it's like it's like five schools for one chapter So I've never saw none of the brothers like my whole time like none in the yard And I'm really like trying to pursue because I'm like if I'm gonna do this I'm gonna like cause we had campus we had out I don't know it just it just uh it just did like attract me and then I don't know something like we we had we had 11 of my coach was a Q oh A UCL A Yeah he like he was but he was only there for a year and I just seen how he was and the way he like the way he carried himself and how he was and you know like smooth dude I was like and then I and I was like yeah I wanna I wanna be what you are but he wasn't there long enough and he was gone with another dude one year and out So I'm trying to figure out like how do I be the b brother I'm on Facebook I'm on Facebook I'm I'm I'm going through the messages like I wanna I wanna be an Omega and some dude finally hit me He was like yeah that's not how you do that That's not how you do it So um yeah it didn't it didn't work out of undergrad and I thought my journey was over over uh one of my best friends He Abra at Texas Southern OK And he was like you could do a grad chapter and I was like for real I'm like what's like what you mean Like like how's that work And he's like yeah they got chapters for people that got degrees if you want to join So II I found a chapter of Ta Ta My chapter is Ta Ta here in Compton Find a good chap You know we I do a lot of great work in the community We mentor you know we don't we like we always win the awards man like the Grand boss list you know Ricky Perry Ricky Lewis Um He he part of my chapter He he he was made in Florida in Florida But you know he he he talks on now So I just was like you know once I found out I could still pursue it man I just went all the way in man And I just was like yes and I and as I learned more about the front just about you know the founders and like you know and I'm a Christian man you know being a you know a a Christian based organization and just you know the for the cardinal principles and um in a model I just like yeah like this you know this all yeah that's what I wanna um you know pursue it man And um you know I was also fortunate man to uh to be picked and join man And you know it's been been a it was tough man It was hard but fair But uh but it was but it was um yeah man it was it was I I don't regret it all Exactly I wouldn't wanna do that I'm like hell yeah I wouldn't wanna do it again And um but it was it was it was it was it was like definitely like uh uh and I did it like different Like I went like

I did it like after where I was like on the show I'm going through the process while I'm like on a show So it was humbling bro Cause like the show the show got you on cloud nine and then the you know the the bras bring you back down to reality But I I needed I needed that balance you know And um and yeah man I you know I love I love my L brothers I lo I love like what the fry stand for and even like you know bring bringing us together man You know like that's what it's all about and just you know that friendship man And um yeah you know I wish I wish I could have had the opportunity today but you know it wasn't my calling but you know iiiii I went I went through later and you know I'm appreciative of it Yeah everybody's journey is different to me Sure definitely But I know like for me like I think the first time I've seen bros was my both of my siblings went to H BC U So my sister went to uh I think it's is is it Benedict College I think it's Benedic Yeah And then my brother went to Bethune Cookman So like I went bo I both went down there like to move in and like for the graduation So like you know bro send it send it out after graduation every time So I see it I'm like I'm like oh I'm like what's that You feel me But it's like they give you a rush for real and then like they're like yeah them uh them Omegas is my sister talking about I'm like yeah I I I'll mess with that and then it just so happened I get to I get to high school and like my head coach my head coach and my mentor too He he was the bros So it's like it's like oh it's like now I get that I see I see how you feel Me the B brothers carry this over I see like what they stand on and like you feel me He wasn't going for no for no BS But at the same time he the cool he's one of the coolest people in the world man He you can call him for anything So he like that's what I've been around They're like some administrators was brushed too So then it's like you feel me That's all I say That's all I've been around That's all I've seen That's all I'm seeing while I'm growing up from a young man and then like the people the people that's in my high school the players that went on to college they became bro So it's like it's like a cycle You feel me So it's like it got it got it's like it makes sense It makes sense Like my man my man sees he went to SI U he became a bro like literally his new year He came back to visit bro He got he came in with the gold boo I'm like oh he too cold I'm like cold I'm like yeah and turn me up for sure But no that definitely So it's like it's really like it all made sense for me for sure For real And it don't work out I feel like wherever you know what whatever is supposed to happen is supposed to happen you know And uh yeah I'm a I'm a appreciate I'm appreciative and I also just was like when you hear people say like like I've

been around I've been around like you know Omegas and like when people hear you saying Omega I don't know I just like the reaction because I it's like one or two things that you like you know they like oh you and Omega are like uh you know I'm like but it's in a reaction where it's like cap is an Outen I don't hear nothing you know respectfully Sigmas I oas like it's just like oh whatever But you know you see it the two it's a two way world you can for sure I'm used to it now and there always people that be like they they always be like they like oh I can tell like I I knew I knew it It's like what Tell me as soon as I as soon as I came like I knew you was gonna be the bros Literally I'm like I'm like what I'm like how you know it's like it just it just fit you So I'm like I feel like I made it you made you made a good choice fit you for sure whether that's a good reason or a bad year for sure fit you though But I definitely can say like just like the cardinal principles bro Like it it all just it all stand and like go with my morals Like you talk about manhood and perseverance Like you feel me I was doing all of that before you feel me I was the brung You feel me So like they all like intertwined with each other and then just the simple fact is like you feel me you want to get back to the community Like I'm big on that for sure Like I just like this past this past spring I just did my first A U camp for us Oh That's cool Uh For like the youth in the city So it's like I did it early because I feel like a lot of people do that they get to the league you know like like June and July and stuff But I know like I had just graduated and like this is something I've been wanting to do and I'm like you feel me like you people talk about you feel me the bros giving back to the community so and so and so and forth But it's like I feel I'm gonna really do it You feel me So that was really one of my my biggest deals though But it's definitely like I love the bros man for sure though It's anything man Yeah A it's a it's been interesting man It's it's been it's been a blessing you know What I'm saying meeting some uh some some some good man you know and uh you you you probably gonna be busy but yeah I'm definitely going to clay I'm definitely gonna be the last clay and the last clay I mean it was crazy Which one was uh North Carolina Oh y'all Charlotte y'all didn't go to Charlotte It was crazy The best times of my life though Yeah I didn't go to Charlotte I'm a uh um I went to I went to New Orleans the LA the last one but I'm gonna go I'm gonna go to Tampa you know we we pray you and Cameron I'm about to say I'm about to send you some videos So it's cool That was a while Yeah for sure It's gonna be plenty of they said we got four minutes So now you just gonna break it down in the segments I got I got segments I do like at the end of so basically give me

your top five NFL players of all time of all time It could be all time or can be right now or you can do both for real OK man My top five players um don't order Um I gotta go Lawrence I gotta go Lawrence Taylor TLT Ray Lewis um Tom Brady you gotta go to um Randy Moss right And D I Yeah cause I'm like boy I got it got it gotta be it gotta be five A five B I gotta go I gotta go Dion Sanders you gotta go you gotta go prime and Barry Sanders Like that's my favorite player man He and I miss it I miss it and I wanted to play football in the first place My dad I was watching TV I was watching TV with my dad and my cousin I seen Barry uh they show Barry uh Sander highlights and I'm like oh this was I'm like this is crazy I'm like yeah I got it I got it He was cold and probably now former player I'll do I'll do now too I'll I even though Tom what Tom Brady done that was my retire But now I gotta go I got I got I gotta go I gotta go Mike I gotta go Michael Parsons Miga is crazy I think he gonna he gonna win the defensive player of the year in one of these years Aaron Aaron Donald um Devo Devote Adams Um I gotta I gotta go I gotta go dig I like that I like I like D and Tyree Tyree crazy Tyrique Tyrique gonna do that He going crazy right now like you ain't put you put OK he put 222 di I could I couldn't think about the cornerback the quarter back in there I was thinking but like yeah not right now not right now maybe maybe maybe buddy from uh from Buffalo Josh Allen Josh all I I like him and him and I was gonna say Pat Yeah actually actually Pat Pat been winning So that's like it's crazy It's like you can't it's like he he my other that's my my 585 B cause he been winning Buffalo Um Jo Josh I won yet That's a win but he been winning but he ain't get to that that Supreme level or that that Super Bowl or that the NFC championship he didn't get to that yet Yeah exactly Exactly I feel like ok so we got that out the way We got I got two more We're gonna ask you what's the what's the goat the greatest of all time shoe in your opinion Shooter shoe shoe shoe And we my shoe um man I'm a I'm a Jordan one fan So um yeah any Jor Jordan ones with with the color toe Yeah with the with the color toe Yeah So I mean of course you go you go Royals but you got a colored toe like the white to that's the mo mo I gotta go Air Force ones though I got but the Air force one is crazy You know it's just it's just a staple in the city bro It's like it's a staple bro I feel you I feel you you know you said NBA you know I thought yeah I mean of course stuff or uh oh Reggie Miller Yeah Yeah You know he Reggie Reggie Reggie our guy he a Brein So he our guy But Steph bro he's ridiculous And he had a game winner last night too That's crazy man Ridiculous And and and he is not even a shooting but he got a hole in

one in golf Like anybody can do that like live like because most people do that like nobody see you know it's like on some regular stuff but you do it like when it's time to perform like he a performer bro like when the lights when the lights come on it's different It's different You last question we gotta do we gotta do I always say you gotta do something for the ladies What's your uh what's the what's the how can I put it What is the must that a lady must have for you Oh Man she gotta be funny and and and and and some booty too for sure But she gotta be funny though man I'm I'm a I'm a like upbeat you like you don't wanna be in a relationship but I love to laugh like you know I mean life is serious I'm talking but like you gotta like don't take it too serious man You gotta you gotta laugh and enjoy it and if you ain't funny like cause I'm always I'm always joking you need somebody to laugh with you I know me I'm a laugh for g I'm gonna laugh about anybody I'm around Like if you ain't funny I ain't working with you But you definitely a sense of humor man That's that's number one and booty and some slick edges It's the same man Girl she gotta know how to cook man She gotta know how to cook I can cook I can cook I'm a great cook and I'm a I'm a grill man We got we got we gonna hit the grill you know But yeah I just feel like with me growing up my mom always cooked my dad a meal It's like I feel like that's what I'm used to because I feel like that's how that's how I should go I don't know That's that mid wife because my step my my dad first wife she from Ohio So she used to cook and cook good But yeah I know girls don't be cooking nothing up here So like I don't know it's it's different because like some girls they're like leave with that and it's cool But like I'm used to like girls not cooking nothing so I don't care but like and then it's like like hopefully it's good cause I don't like like like no boo boo I ain't gonna lie You can't do that So but see I feel that that would that would be that would be nice too But I ain't the all because you might cook better than we can we can have a AAA mash Up You feel me You cook this better than me I cook this better than you We can have our days with that True true But you gotta you gotta gotta cook something man I ain't gonna lie She gotta cook something I got you I got you That's the end of the show You feel me Obviously the start of something big bro I appreciate you bro You feel me I appreciate all your hard work you done did Obviously you feel me you didn't been to the highest with with TV You feel I hope you feel me after the strike You feel me you gonna have bigger and better things coming man Willie But you feel me this is the real and rock podcast with Agent Zero Donovan Carter and we out