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"Kris realizes that Bruce's transformation means ratings gold and she'll take him to court so she can control the grand transformation TV spectacle," claims a source close to the family.

## Ultimate Revenge Drama BRUCE TO COURT R

Bruce Jenner is ready to profit from his public transition to a woman – and his furious ex, Kris Jenner, will stop at nothing to get her cut

ago, Khloé Kardashian stumbled into a secret closet in Kris and Bruce Jenner's home. Shocked to find ladies' wigs, large dresses and size 13 high heels, a tearful Khloé called her father, Robert. "He felt compelled to tell her the truth," Khloé's former stepmom, Ellen, revealed in 2012. "Those were not her mother's clothes. ... They belonged to Bruce."

The entire family kept Bruce's secret for years. But the former Olympian is ready to announce his

ore than a decade decision to become a woman this year - news In Touch exclusively revealed in January - and, according to multiple sources, is planning to chronicle his transformation via his own docuseries. But his famous ex won't be involved. "He doesn't want Kris to profit from his story," says a source close to Bruce, explaining that after seven years on *Keeping Up With* the Kardashians, Bruce, 65, is desperate to be in control. even if it means delivering a blow to Kris' TV empire by cutting her out. "Kris is beyond angry – she wants her piece of the pie,"

says a source close to the family. "Unless Bruce involves her in his TV deal, she's ready to get her revenge by taking him to court."

As far as Kris is concerned, Bruce owes her. After enduring 22 years of marriage – many spent in the spotlight – to a man who desperately wanted to be a woman, "she feels like it's her story to tell just as much as it's his," says the source close to Bruce. "She says Bruce told her that if he ever went public with his secret, she would be by his side." Instead, he waited until after their December di-

## The Kardashians Hid the Truth for Years



KEPT QUIET The same day Ellen Kardashian revealed that Khloé had found Bruce's closet of women's clothing, she defended her stepdad with a cryptic tweet.





rash of reports claiming Bruce was becoming a woman, she acted nonchalant. "It's silly," Kris scoffed. "They've been saying that since the '70s."

## **HE CHANGES MORE EVERY DAY**



increasingly feminine since he and Kris announced their split in October 2013. But the most dramatic transformation is yet to come. "Bruce is working with a plastic surgeon and has already started the process to become a woman," reveals an insider. "He has plans to do the entire gender-reassignment surgery." After growing his hair long, Bruce started stepping out with manicured nails, plump lips and a sports bra for his growing,

hormonally-altered breasts.

Bruce's appearance has become



vorce – which was settled when she reportedly paid him \$2.5 million to film a potential hit reality show that would have been a logical spinoff to KUWTK, which has seen ratings plummet 22 percent in the past two seasons.

Her first tactic: apply pressure to Bruce. "Even though Bruce wasn't ready to tell his story yet," says an industry insider, "Kris went to powerful talent agencyl CAA in November and tried to make a deal for a show about Bruce's transition." Instead, multiple sources say, Bruce decided to do his own docuseries, which he'll launch after doing a tell-all interview with someone like ABC's Diane Sawyer. "He did agree to throw Kris a bone by teasing his transition" on

KUWTK, which is now filming season 10, says the source close to him.

But that wasn't enough for his ex, say sources. "She'll say they had a verbal agreement to tell his story together," claims the Bruce source. She could definitely sue, confirms entertainment attorney Richard A. Roth, who has not counseled Kris, 59. "She's going to have to show that it was intended that she be a part of it and that she would get a piece of it," he tells *In Touch*. "She could drag this thing on for a couple of years." Adds a Kardashian insider: "Kris would have a case because this transformation started a long time ago. Kim wanted him to look different at her May 2014] wedding – she didn't know why

he wanted to look so feminine. He was still married to Kris then and he knew what he was doing." Kris "loves money," adds the insider. "If she can prove that this was his plan all along, she would make a lot of money."

A court case would be filled with shocking testimony. "Kris could reveal so many details about Bruce's secret life that would shock the world. and his immediate family, too - his children don't know the half of it," says the Bruce source. "She's caught him in many embarrassing situations, from wearing her clothes to purchasing lingerie and wigs online. She may even reveal what he likes to do in the bedroom. Kris feels betrayed, so nothing is off-limits."

Like how often he raided her closet. "Bruce would wear Kris' Spanx, sports bras and lipstick – she found them in his drawers," says a Kris insider. "At first she thought it was the maid, but she caught him wearing one of her girdles while he was working out." According to Robert's widow, Bruce's first wife, Chrystie Scott, once told her Bruce tried on her bras during their marriage in the '70s, and another source says a former neighbor

once caught Bruce wearing lingerie in public.

He didn't hide it from his family, either. "Bruce began keeping lingerie in places their kids could find it. One day when Kylie went into her father's closet to find something, she saw it," says a family friend.

"Kylie knew it wasn't her mother's because of the size and immediately told Khloé." Khloé, of course, wasn't surprised, adds the friend. "She's since she was very young."

Kim also learned the truth years ago. "The first time Kim confirmed it was when her own lingerie went missing," says the family friend. "She'd ordered expensive French lingerie but it never arrived. She asked her maid where it was and the maid took her to Bruce's closet and showed her – Kim was angry."

The girls' makeup has also disappeared over the years, eventually leading them to blame Bruce. "A mascara here and a lipstick there," adds the family friend. "All were signs

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## In Touch Told You First

Our Jan. 26 cover story revealed that Bruce planned to document his journey with his own reality show. "He just wants to live his truth," explained a source close to the reality star.

that Bruce was cross-dressing." He's grown bolder in recent years. The day before last Hallow-

een, another insider says Bruce asked a stylist to find him "a big black poofy dress" and accessories. "The stylist had major issues trying to find him heels in a size 13 - he'd specifically requested platform stripper heels," says the insider. Around the same time, a Reddit.com user revealed that Bruce had been spotted at a transgender support group years before.

Bruce has been lving about his transition for a long time. Even Kris is prepared to after having surput Bruce on blast gery to shave down his Adam's apple in and reveal intimate January 2014, he

gave a bizarre excuse: "I just never liked my trachea." He claimed he sim--A SOURCE CLOSE TO THE FAMILY ply liked having his hair long, but said nothing when he

was photographed with much larger breasts and wearing what appeared to be Spanx (see box).

details and photos

to get what she wants

- a big payday"

For a while, Kris played along. known Bruce was a cross-dresser A year ago, she weakly shrugged off his frequent manicures by claiming that "when he gets his nails buffed they put clear [polish on, too]." (That didn't explain the red lacquer he sported in October.) "Bruce may say he was bullied into coming out now, but he gave the public strong reason to believe he was becoming a woman," says the family source, noting that on an episode later in 2014, the show even dramatized Bruce's argument with Kris over his hairstyle and color. "Like all things Kardashian, his 'change' was exploited for the story line."



But Bruce is saving the big reveal for his own project. "Bruce is working with GLAAD on his docuseries, which will be released as early as this spring. Kris has no part of it," says another Bruce insider. "The docuseries also follows him going to his doctors and support groups to help him during this process. He's excited and finally ready to be who he was meant to be."

Kris is all that stands in his way. "Kris is a complete control freak and she will do whatever it takes to make money, which is a lethal combination for Bruce," says the family friend. "She will stop at nothing to ensure no one ruins her plans."

**NOT HOW GOD WANTS** TO B Bruce's cousin Jeffrey Day

says Bruce's mom, Esther (above), hasn't revealed to the family whether she knows about Bruce's transition, but Jeffrey can't believe it! "I would be very surprised if it were true and I would be disappointed, but at the same time I would be supportive," he tells In Touch. "I would let him know that that's not how God wants him to be."