H2710 HARDCASE AND FIST (USA, 1989)

Credits: director, Troy Zarindast; writers, Bud Fleischer, Tony Zarindast.
Summary: Action/adventure film set in contemporary California. Undercover detective Bud McCall (Prior) is sent into Folsom Prison to prevent a prisoner with mob connections from providing an alibi for mob boss Vincent (Barbi) in an upcoming federal trial. When Vincent finds out, he orders McCall killed, but the attempt goes awry. Vincent’s assistant Tony Marino (Zarindast), the man entrusted with the job of killing McCall, is actually an old Vietnam buddy of the detective who saved his life there. Vincent kidnaps Tony’s girlfriend Sharon (Lunde) to ensure his compliance. Tony then helps McCall and his cellmate escape. The group find shelter on the farm of a third (crippled) Vietnam vet where they are besieged for a time by an army of gangsters before they break out, attack Vincent’s ranch and rescue Sharon.

Cohn, Lawrence L. “Hardcase and fist” Variety 335 (Jul 5-11, 1989), p. 20.
Devine, Jeremy M. Vietnam at 24 frames a second [GB] (p. 255)
Lanning, Michael Lee. Vietnam at the movies [GB] (p. 241-2)