**R3315 RED ROCK WEST (USA, 1993)**

**Credits:** director, John Dahl; writers, John Dahl, Rick Dahl.

**Cast:** Nicolas Cage, Dennis Hopper, Lara Flynn Boyle, J.T. Walsh.

**Summary:** Detective/mystery film set in contemporary Wyoming. Mike (Cage), an unemployed Texas oil worker, walks into a tavern in Red Rock, Wyoming, and is mistaken for a professional hit-man whom the tavern owner has hired to kill his wife. Just when Mike decides to take the money and run, the real hit-man (Hopper) arrives. The Hopper character is a Vietnam veteran.

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