

## Jay In The City

Jay Patterson was visiting New York City from Topeka Kansas. Luckily his best friend from college Tony DelVeccio was available the week Jay was in town to shown him the sights and sounds of the city.

On the first night there, Tony took Jay to Loft, a new trendy night spot in the meat packing district. Wanting to fit in, Jay wore his \$1,500 leather jacket that he bought for himself last year to celebrate a big raise at work. When they two men entered the club, there was a large area roped off that was used as a coat check. Tony quickly removed his jacket and handed it to the gentleman behind the corded area and took the claim ticket that was handed to him.

Jay, on the other hand, was very reluctant to give up his very expensive jacket. But David convinced him that his jacket would be fine, so Jay checked his coat. After several hours of drinking and dancing, the two men collected their jackets and decided to go grab something to eat. As they left the club, David turned to Jay and said, "New Yorkers are honest people, I told you your jacket would be fine".

The two then headed to Slim's Diner for a bite to eat, while there, Jay removed his coat and placed it on his lap. As the waitresses came to take their order, she looked at Jay and his coat and said, "What do you think these hooks are for?" (page down to see a photo of the hooks) The three of them laughed and Jay hung his coat on the hook behind him next to the coat of the guest at the other booth.

After finishing their meal, Jay reach back to grab his jacket, it was gone. In its place was a cheap faux leather jacket from H & M. He looked at David who said, "dude, you're not in Kansas anymore!"

- Was the coat check at the nightclub a bailment? Explain your answer
- Was there a bailment at the diner when the waitress pointed out to Jay that there were coat hooks behind his booth? Explain why or why not.
- Is the restaurant responsible for reimbursing Jay for his \$1,500 jacket? Explain your answer.
- Should the restaurant offer Jay any type of settlement? Explain why or why not.

Picture of the Booths and Coat Hooks at Slim's Diner

