DEVIL IN DISGUISE

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E'RE taking back the brand, man!" When for star Kate Jackson uttered those words on stage at the Emmy Awards during the tribute to the audience knew what she meant.

But The ENQUIRER has learned

the 57-year-old actress plans to sue Spelling's bil-lion-dollar estate, lion-dollar estate, claiming she helped create and name the hit '70s TV series.

Kate, along with former "Angels" Fawcett, 59, and Jaclyn Smith, 58, reunited for the

But while the actresses were all smiles on camera, the action behind

the scenes told a less friendly story, according to an inside source.

"Farrah and Jaclyn had no problem reuniting for the show, but Kate was another issue," the source told The ENQUIRER.

te has a lot at stake financially, and she's analyzing every move she

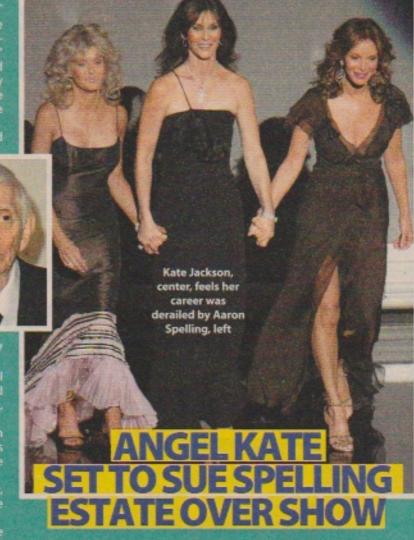
Kate was the first of the three actresses to sign on to the "Angels" project and worked with Spelling before the pilot was made. Spelling had wanted to call the show "Alley angel Sabrina Duncan, suggested naming it "Charlie's Angels" after she noticed a picture of three angels hanging on the wall of his

The ABC show has been shown in reruns, released on DVD, and spawned two feature-length films starring Drew Barrymore, Cameron Diazand Lucy Liu.

"The possibility of a financial windfall for Kate is very real, and she's very determined to see it through," said the source.

Before the Emmy tribute, Kate proved too difficult to deal with for the show's producers, the source said. She fought over the wording of her script and even threatened not to go on stage.

But despite warnings



exactly as she pleased," ignoring the speech on the teleprompter.

Although it's been reported that a prompter malfunction was the reason Kate improvised, the source said that's not true.

The was working fine. But Kate was on a tegral part she played in the forma-tion of 'Charlie's

Jaclyn gel" to stay for the show's entire run. Farrah left after one season, and Kate af-

'Kramer vs Kramer" to Meryl Streep because Spelling wouldn't let her out of her contract.
"I think that Kate's animosity

toward the Spelling estate stems from her feeling she truly deserves partial ownership," said the source.

But she also must feel some

her from taking been a career-mak-

ing movie role."
But it was Kate's outburst about "taking back the brand" during Jaclyn's tribute speech that left insiders stunned.

shocked that nerve to say that on camera. The other two are not involved in the tug-of-war

with the Spelling estate.

any more than what they already got from the show - fame and a career jumpstart.'

