

Dorian Gray As President

Dorian Gray always wanted it easy. He was born into wealth, dabbled in real estate and casinos, but often went bankrupt because he enjoyed stiffing contractors, spent too much on gold toilets, and working hard was not easy. Dorian Gray always wanted it easy. Dorian decided it was time to make a deal with the Devil—to extend his life and make everything easy. The Devil was accommodating—despite telling Dorian he had no soul.

Dorian, deal under his belt, went into politics, which he found remarkably easy, and was elected President. To keep the Devil happy, he agreed to halt scientific research, stop green projects, kill a few people and make the internet free for everyone. Every once in a long while, Dorian would look at the Devil's computer monitor on his desk which displayed a digital Dorian. The portrait started out as he was but, as time went on the digital Dorian grew eerie, drooling, his grin ever deader every viewing.

Unfortunately, the digital image was also available to anyone on a website the Devil set up. Voters apparently did not care, dismissing Dorian's moral depravity as a modest price for a leader who knew how to get stuff done. As the months went by, the site was visited by millions. When Dorian's term was up, popular demand led to the digital image being put on a special Presidential coin. Dorian's body quickly withered, becoming the duplicate of his digital image.

When Dorian complained, the Devil told him Jeffrey was waiting.