

## VICTIMS OF CIRCUMSTANCE

### BAND STORY

"Victims of Circumstance are a Punk and Ska Band from Clearwater Florida. The band consists of Michael Smyth on Guitar, Brandon Vola on Bass and Glenn Stewart on Drums. The VOC is in the studio recording their full length debut album that should be released sometime in the beginning of 2007. "

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Pounding out music with the precision of a jackhammer operator, the raw power of a Scottish soccer hooligan and the ferocity of a disgruntled postal employee, Victims of Circumstance have already made a name for them selves in the central Florida music scene. Playong an original blend of punk, ska and straight rock riffs, the band is not afraid to inject endless pop hooks. According to lead singer/guitarist Mike Smyth, " We're huge music fans. With all the hard work we've put into developing ourselves as songwriters an musicians, why would we want to paint ourselves into any musical corners."

Forming in St. Petersburg during the fall of 2005, Victims of Circumstance are three good friends who meet while working at a debt relief agency. And these guys put their money where their mouths are. Last year, while building what was intended to be rehearsal studio in the back of their warehouse offices, the V.O.C.ers constructed state of the art recording studio. The studio came out so good it is now a full time working studio with an in house engineer. " We built this great studio and were afraid it wouldn't get used enough," says drummer Glenn Stewart. " We invite bands from local scene to come and record." And these "do it yourselfers" don't stop there. They have also put on a number of shows in Tampa, St. Pete night clubs and theatres. " We put on shows with bands we like," says bassist Brandon Vola, " We are really interested in helping to build the local scene.

Recently the boys linked up with Mighty Mighty Bosstone Tim " Johnny Vegas" Burton who is co producing their first full length album. V.O.C. are playing gigs in advance of the album's release, due in the fall. Victims of Circumstance always put on a great show, adding new fans to their already loyal following.

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