

DICK, THE MINISERIES

✘ Congratulations to Barton Gellman, whose book on Cheney's abuse of the Constitution, Angler, will serve as the basis for an HBO miniseries.

HBO has optioned the book *Angler: The Cheney Vice Presidency* by Pulitzer-Prize winning journalist Barton Gellman for a miniseries to be executive produced by Paula Weinstein.

The mini, which will be based on the bestselling book and the Frontline documentary *The Dark Side*, tells the story of Richard Bruce Cheney from his early days as Donald Rumsfeld's protégé in the Nixon administration, to the nation's youngest Chief of Staff under President Ford, to serving as Secretary of Defense under George H.W. Bush, through two controversial terms as Vice President under President George W. Bush. According to the producers, the project will center on Cheney's "single-minded pursuit of enhanced power for the Presidency (that) was unprecedented in the nation's history."

May the story of this abusive thug be just as popular as the Sopranos.

Gellman is on twitter taking suggestions for a lead to play Cheney. Me, I'm more interested in finding the perfect actress to play the Constitution, some damsel in distress type who needs to be saved from the evil villain.

Since I'm a pop culture failure, I'm happy to hear your suggestions in comments.