## DHS: The Television Series – the next chapter

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Okay, so first there was the story about <u>the planned DHS television series</u>. And then there was the follow-up reporting that <u>the whole thing was an investment scam</u> and there was no such show after all. Following through on the story, it looks like the ringleader behind the scam has been <u>sentenced to one year in prison</u> and an accomplice to five years probation and \$250 a month in restitution. The TV Squad article says *retribution*, which would be strange if true. <u>But it's not</u>. (Read the announcements of the accomplice's <u>indictment</u> and <u>guilty plea</u>.) At \$250 a month, it's going to take a long time to repay the court-ordered \$3.4 million in restitution.

Two years later, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the judge who imposed the one-year sentence for the ringleader <u>failed to follow sentencing guidelines</u> (which call for a minimum of 57 months), and ordered that he be sentenced again.

Meanwhile, the accomplice appears to have violated the terms of her probation, so she was <u>sentenced to ten days in jail</u>.

Who knows what'll happen next? This story may never reach its final chapter.

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