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Context Notes

Met w/ Dianne
Inglima Brown +
interviewed her in my
hotel room at the
Anchorage Hilton. If
I hadn't known that
she was over 50, I
wouldn't have guessed
it. Dianne looked
10 yrs younger, vibrant,
healthy + chicky dressed
in black pants, a
pink short sleeved
turtleneck, and a
black leather jacket.

Dianne was a
quiet, low key, articulate
woman, very easy to
talk to. When down-
played some of what

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must have been some
very frightening +
stressful episodes
in her career.

She + her husband,
Ray Brown, sound
like a very close
couple + Dianne ^{credits} ~~gives~~
~~her husband~~ much of
her success to his
emotional support.
throughout her career.

Dianne seems to be
greatly enjoying her
retirement. My
impression from talking
to her is that the
portion of her career
she really enjoyed was
her time in the
Criminal Investigations
Bureau. The stress of
the job + the boys-
club mentality of
the AST really wore
on her, however.

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Dianne wanted to be promoted to lieutenant before she left the force, but was diagnosed w/ breast cancer + opted to retire. A point of resentment for her was that after she left the AST, the position she was in was upgraded to lieutenant.

I must add that Diane looks very healthy + had ~~I~~ not known that she had had surgery for breast cancer I would never had guessed that she had any health problems.

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Dianne was very conscious of her position as one of the first women on the force + talked a great deal about her experience as a female ^{in a} ~~officer~~ non-traditional job — learning to deal differently w/ suspects, finding uniforms that fit, balancing family + career, being scared. I'm not sure a man would have talked about the same things or in the same way.