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# KOOTENAI COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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### MEDIA RELEASE

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In the continuing investigation into the homicide of Dana Brinnon, the Sheriff's Department reports that cause of death has been determined to be asphyxiation by strangulation.

Dana's husband, William "Bill" Brinnon was charged late yesterday with 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Murder in Dana's death. Mr. Brinnon is still in the Intensive Care Unit at Kootenai Medical Center. His first appearance will be held this morning in his hospital room. Magistrate Judge, Jim Stowe, will be presiding.

**NOTE: Requests for copies or transcripts of the recording of the first appearance should be directed to the Judge Stowe's clerk at the District Court.**

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

By: Capt. Ben Wolfinger