"I've always admired my mom," says Marlo, "and thought anything she deemed worth doing, I should do as well. After a presentation in 8th grade about careers, I realized how cool it must be to work for the FBI."

Although Marlo, who earned her bachelor's degree in accounting from Jackson State University and her MBA from Maryville University of St. Louis, got sidetracked when she accepted a post with the IRS after an internship, she never lost sight of an FBI career.

"I knew the diversity there was unmatched...and they are involved in so many things...You can use both your physical and mental energies."

Marlo adds: "I think it does take a strong woman to be in the FBI, but you are certainly treated fairly. You speak up, and people listen. I couldn't have asked to join a better group of people. I would recommend an FBI career to anyone without hesitation."

She continues: "I think the special agent position allows everyone to find their niche. There are scientists, computer programmers, accountants, lawyers, engineers, as well as many other types of individuals who use their particular skills as agents."

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