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The Honorable Sandra Doorley and the Monroe  
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**Grand Jury Files Indictment Charging Mason Z. Earle With Murder in the  
1<sup>st</sup> Degree in Connection with Hamlin Double Homicide**

Rochester, NY- On Friday, October 5, 2018, after a thorough investigation by the Monroe County Sheriff's Office in conjunction with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, an indictment was filed charging 19-year-old Mason Z. Earle with two counts of Murder in the First Degree and Arson in the Third Degree, for the intentional deaths of Alexander Burrow and Bruce Kane.

The defendant had initially been charged with two counts of Murder in the Second Degree.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Matthew Schwartz, Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau.

"Thank you to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office for their swift and thorough investigation which led to the arrest of Mason Earle and ultimately his indictment," said District Attorney Sandra Doorley. "Our office will prosecute this crime to the fullest extent to ensure that justice is sought for the victims and families of this heinous crime."

"Today's grand jury indictment is the result of countless hours of great police work conducted by our dedicated team of investigators and deputies, who worked around the clock to make this arrest," said Sheriff Todd K. Baxter. "The Sheriff's Office appreciates our partners in law enforcement and the District Attorney's diligence in presenting this case to a grand jury. The indictment is the next step in the process to hopefully bring justice and a sense of closure to the families of Alexander Burrow and Bruce Kane and the community of Hamlin. Our thoughts remain with the Burrow and Kane families, their friends and loved ones."

Earle is scheduled to appear at a later date in Superior Court for arraignment.

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