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Syjesman Brown and Imani Williams Arraigned for Deaths of Alexander Powell and David Jones

Rochester, NY- 32-year-old Syjesman Brown and 28-year-old Imani Williams were arraigned today in front of Monroe County Court Judge Vincent Dinolfo after an indictment was unsealed, charging both defendants with two counts of Murder in the 2nd in relation to the May 2017 deaths of Alexander Powell and David Jones.

On May 14, 2017, the Rochester Police Department was called for a deceased male in a vacant lot who was later identified as Alexander Powell. On May 27, 2017, the Rochester Police Department was also called for a burned body on a footbridge who was later identified as David Jones. Both defendants are currently in custody.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Brian Green, Deputy Chief of the Major Felonies Bureau and Assistant District Attorney Benjamin Skomsky, of the Non-Violent Felonies Bureau.

Both Brown and Williams are scheduled to appear in Monroe County Court on December 20, 2017.

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