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NEWS RELEASE

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House Fire Results in Arson Charges against Hargett

Numerous firefighters, Union County Sheriff's Deputies, the Union County Fire Marshal's Office and EMS personnel responded to a structure fire early Tuesday morning at the Hargett residence, located at 5233 Old Monroe Road in Indian Trail. Upon arrival, emergency services personnel found several people outside the home. Smoke and flames were observed coming from the house.

Once the fire was suppressed, the Fire Marshal's Office conducted an origin and cause examination of the residence and determined the fire had been intentionally set. Sheriff's Deputies and detectives interviewed the individuals at the residence and determined the fire was likely motivated by an argument between Joshua Hargett and his father.

Joshua Taylor Hargett, age 23, of 5233 Old Monroe Road, Indian Trail, is in the Union County Jail facing a charge of First Degree Arson. His next court date is scheduled for January 23, 2018.

The investigation is still ongoing.



HARGETT

Point of contact for this press release is Chief Communications Officer Tony Underwood, 704-292-2707.

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Union County Sheriff's Office at 704-283-3789

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