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NEWS RELEASE

Elesha Sears was charged by indictment¹ with one count of attempted destruction of a building by fire, United States Attorney Zane David Memeger announced today.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Elesha Sears	Philadelphia, Pa.	1981

If convicted the defendant faces a mandatory minimum of 5 years, and a maximum possible sentence of 20 years imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, three years supervised release, and \$100 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Virgil B. Walker.

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