



Genesee County Prosecutor's Office David Leyton, Prosecutor



Suspect to be arraigned Saturday in Burton homicide; prosecutor discusses motive

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BURTON, MICHIGAN -- A Burton man allegedly killed his roommate because he thought he was going to be evicted, said Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton.

A warrant is being written for the 31-year-old who is in police custody, but won't be served until Saturday. Leyton said the suspect is also expected to be arraigned on charges of open murder at that time.

Charles Easter, 58, was severely beaten about 4 a.m. Wednesday at his home on East Scottwood near Bristol and South Saginaw roads. Easter, who died Thursday morning, suffered multiple fractures to the head, face and chest, according to a police report.

The suspect turned himself in about noon Thursday and is being held in the Genesee County Jail. Police are not releasing the suspect's name until he has been arraigned.

It's Burton's first homicide since Oct. 1, 2005.

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