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Jared Rogers, with defense attorney Melissa Larson by his side, reacts as prosecuting attorney Amy Dodge, not pictured, talks about the charges against him. Rogers received a life sentence Wednesday for killing his nephew and stabbing his brother in 2016. (THE PROVIDENCE JOURNAL / PHOTOS BY BOB BREEDENBACH)

Warwick man gets life for slaying of nephew

Jared Rogers, who also stabbed brother, makes tearful apology to family

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WARWICK — He planned, recruited and orchestrated the killing of his teenage nephew and the stabbing of his older brother in March 2016 in Warwick. And on Wednesday, a Superior Court judge sentenced Jared Rogers to serve life in prison for his crimes.

Calling the murder of 19-year-old Michael Rogers one of the most horrible, senseless crimes he's seen, Judge David A. Provacchini accepted prosecutors' recommendation that Rogers, 23, serve life behind bars.

Rogers in December pleaded no contest to conspiracy, second-degree murder in the death of his nephew, and assault with intent to murder in the stabbing of Rogers' own brother, David. The terms of the deal gave Provacchini the latitude



Defendant Jared Rogers, seated at left with defense attorney Melissa Larson, wipes away tears as Andrea Rogers, right, mother of murder victim Michael Rogers, describes the impacts of his death on the family. Her husband, Adrian Smith, stands at her side.

to sentence Rogers to no less than 35 years in prison and up to life. Provacchini imposed the sentences to be served concurrently for the conspiracy and assault counts.

According to authorities, Rogers

recruited four men to carry out the attacks, armed them with kitchen knives and directed them to the rooms where his brother and

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