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## Co-Defendant Sentenced to 7 Years in State Prison for Role in Violent Stabbing

*Stabbed Victim Eleven Times at the Urging of Co-Defendant*



**Nicholas Lewis**



**Brandi Hensman**

**ALBANY, NY-** District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that NICHOLAS LEWIS, 18, of Albany, was sentenced to 7 years in State Prison, to be followed by 3 years of Post Release Supervision, before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court this morning.

On November 6, 2013, NICHOLAS LEWIS pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Assault in the Second Degree, a Class D Violent Felony.

On June 21, 2013 in the area of Colby Street and Hunter Avenue in the City of Albany, LEWIS, and co-defendant BRANDI HENSMAN, 31, of Albany, were in a vehicle looking for an individual that HENSMAN had gotten into an argument with earlier in the day.

Upon locating the individual, LEWIS and HENSMAN got out of the vehicle and confronted him. At the urging of HENSMAN, LEWIS then stabbed the victim eleven times with a knife. Both co-defendants got back into the vehicle and drove away as witnesses called 911. The victim was taken to Albany Medical Center and recovered from his injuries.

On November 7, 2013, HENSMAN pleaded guilty to (1) Count of Conspiracy in the Second Degree, a Class B Felony and was sentenced to 2 1/3 to 7 years in State Prison before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court on December 18, 2013.

Assistant District Attorney Brian Conley of the Major Offense Unit handled the prosecution of both of these cases.

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