Woman sentenced to life in prison for aiding in 1 of 4 Nebraska killings

woman in Nebraska was sentenced Thursday to life in prison in connection with the death of one of four people who were killed in a small town that went more than a century without seeing such violence.

A jury in August found Carrie Jones, 46, guilty of aiding and abetting in the first-degree murder of Gene Twiford, who was 86 when he was shot and killed in Laurel in August 2022. Jones' husband, Jason Jones, was convicted last year in the shooting deaths of Twiford, his wife Janet Twiford, 85; their 55-year-old daughter, Dana Twiford; and another Laurel woman, Michele Ebeling, 53.

Jason Jones, 45, may face a death sentence, which three judges held a separate hearing Thursday to discuss. Jones was found guilty

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of 10 charges, including four counts of first-degree murder, four weapons counts and two for arson.

Prosecutors said Carrie Jones encouraged her husband to confront Twiford, who she said had been making sexual comments to her for years. Authorities said Carrie Jones then helped hide her husband when he was being sought by police. She was also convicted of tampering with physical evidence and being an accessory to a felony.

Prosecutors said Jason Jones set fire to the victims' homes and was found by police in his wife's house, suffering from severe burns that left him hospitalized for two months before being moved to prison.

Laurel is a community of less than 1,000 people, about 100 miles (160 kilometers) northwest of Omaha.

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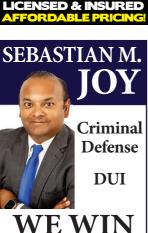
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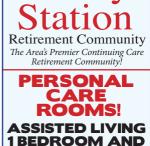
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Lantern the complaint from Kentucky officials is an example of how "a state is trying to take action to close the regulatory gap.''

"They can make oneoff complaints to FERC," Wayner said. "What I would like to see to really comprehensively close the regulatory gap is for PJM and its transmission owners and its states collectively to take actions to implement regional-first planning and ensure that these supplemental projects are really fully being integrated" to benefit ratepayers.

She said such "regional-first planning" would have utilities submit

local transmission infrastructure needs to regional power grid operators such as PJM with such operators identifying what local projects are needed in a region. She pointed to a regional power grid operator in New England that will independently review utilities' proposed local projects.

"States can feel more confident in either issuing permits for these projects or denying permits for these projects based on information they get from the independent reviewer on things like the prudence of these investments, cost estimates, whether these assets actually need to be replaced or could have been designed in a more efficient manner — that sort of thing," Wayner said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE Boyd County EMS will hold a special board meeting for sta-

tion project on Tuesday November 25th at 2:30pm, This will be held at the downtown bldg. at 2758 Greenup Avenue.

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