

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT MERU

HIGH COURT CRIMINAL CASE NO 27 OF 2013

REPUBLIC.....ROSECUTOR

VERSUS

STANLEY MURURU IKAIRIA.....ACCUSED

RULING ON SENTENCE

1. I have considered the mitigation by the accused. That he is a first offender, remorseful, that he has been in custody for now six years and has learnt trades that can make him useful in life if released.
2. I have considered also that he may be the sole breadwinner of his young family.
3. I have also considered that the accused seeks leniency. I have carefully considered the Pre-sentence Report dated 03/10/18 which is positive of the accused.
4. I have however considered that four members of the same family lost their precious lives⁰ at the hands of the deceased. The act of the accused was so vicious and unacceptable in a civilized society.
5. The sentence decreed for murder is death. However, after considering the mitigation made on his behalf, and time already spent in custody. I will sentence the accused to 20 years imprisonment. 14 days Right of Appeal.

A. MABEYA

JUDGE

03:10:18