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Octogenarian, 3 others to hang for murder in Osun

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AN Osun State High Court presided over by Justice Kudrat Akano, on Tuesday, sentenced one octogenarian, Mr Oluwafemi Fagbemi, Tobi Ojo, Famutuwa Femi and Tope Olatunji to death for murder.

The convicts were charged on two-count charge of conspiracy and murder, contrary to sections 324 and 319 of the criminal Code

Cap. 34 Volume 2 Laws of Osun State of Nigeria 2002.

The prosecuting counsel from the Ministry of Justice, Mr Abiodun Badi-ora, informed the court that the convicts committed the crime on April 13, 2012, when they conspired to kill one Jacob Ajayi for money ritual.

He explained that the headless body of the deceased was recovered from septic tank, while his genitals and part of his leg had

been severed.

However, counsel for the convicts, Mr A.O Oluwole pleaded with the judge to tamper justice with mercy.

But Justice Akano found them guilty on the two counts charges preferred against them and sentenced them accordingly, saying count one, which was conspiracy, attracted 14 years imprisonment for each of them, just as he sentenced them to death by hanging for murder.