White supremacist gang member found guilty in 2019 prison attack involving a "shank"

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LEAVENWORTH, Kan. --- A 42-year-old inmate associated with white supremacist groups has pled no contest on charges connected to the 2019 stabbing of another prisoner inside the Lansing Correctional Facility.

Lee B. Jacobs was found guilty on single counts of attempted aggravated battery and trafficking in contraband in a correctional facility during today's plea hearing.

According to court documents, Jacobs and another inmate named Andrew Hogue were charged following an April 19, 2019, attack on a fellow inmate. Jacobs and Hogue were seen hitting the victim during a fight that lasted several minutes. During the attack, the victim was stabbed multiple times with a homemade stabbing device, often called a "shank."

Jacobs, Hogue, and the victim were members of the Kansas Aryan Brotherhood, a white supremacist gang. A coded message was used to order the attack on the victim, who had fallen out of favor with the gang. The victim survived the injuries he sustained during the attack.

Hogue was convicted of aggravated battery following a guilty plea in April 2022 for his role in the attack.

"Thanks to the work of our Department of Corrections, we were able to get a conviction on this matter. Contraband is a serious risk to those within the facility, whether a cell phone or a shank," said County Attorney Todd Thompson.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled for November 8.