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FedEx worker with mental health problems pleads guilty to Midtown stabbing attack

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Tyquan Bailey is arraigned in Manhattan Criminal Court in April 2018. (Alec Tabak/for New York Daily News)

A FedEx worker with mental health problems who was charged with stabbing someone while on the job pleaded guilty Tuesday and will be sentenced to 10 years in prison, officials said.

A lawyer for Tyquan Bailey, 23, said the delivery worker's psychological issues caused him to have paranoid delusions that led to the April 2018 attack on Jack Gindi, 28, in Midtown.

Prosecutors said Bailey was working when he approached the victim from behind and began to repeatedly slash and stab him on Fifth Ave. near 33rd St.

Gindi was taken to Bellevue Hospital and survived the attack, officials said.

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Bailey threatened another man who worked in the same building as Gindi the week before the attack, according to officials. He bumped the 20-year-old in the shoulder and told him, “Do you want to start this right now? I’ll rip your f---ing head off,” cops said.



Tyquan Bailey is led into the NYPD Midtown South station house in Manhattan on April 23, 2018. (Gardiner Anderson)

Bailey’s lawyer, Liam Malanaphy, said Bailey, who had been out on bail, has been a functional member of society since the stabbing incident led to a mental health diagnosis. He has been employed in at least two retail jobs, a grocery store and a clothing retailer.

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Malanaphy said 10 years in prison for Bailey will be another tragedy.

“It's not that much of a stretch to think that after 10 years in a cage ... society isn't going to be worse off 10

years down the road, where now he's actually a productive member of society and he's doing well.” Malanaphy said.

Bailey was facing a five- to 20-year prison term if he were convicted at trial.

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