

BAIL SET FOR GIRL IN DELIVERY AMBUSH

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A judge granted bail yesterday to a teenage girl accused in the September beating death of a Chinese food deliveryman whom she and four friends allegedly lured to a vacant Queens house.

Stacy Royster's family was trying to raise the \$500,000 bail yesterday with hopes of springing the 17-year-old alleged killer by Christmas.

"We have several properties to use as collateral," said Royster's attorney, Robert DiDio.

State Supreme Court Justice Arthur Lonschein set bail yesterday after ruling it was "too excessive" to keep Royster jailed without bail.

Queens prosecutors had opposed bail.

Royster and co-defendants Robert Savage, 14, Darryl Tyson, 17, James Stone, 16, and Jamel Murphy, 17, are charged with slaying Chinese food deliveryman Jin-Sheng Liu on Sept. 1.

Prosecutors say Royster called in the \$60 takeout order that lured the 44-year-old father of two to a vacant house in Springfield Gardens. The teens ambushed Liu, throwing a blanket over him before beating him with their fists and smashing him in the head with a brick, authorities charge.

As Liu lay dying, the five suspects fled to one of the teen's homes and calmly dined on General Tso's chicken, shrimp egg foo yung, chicken with broccoli and shrimp lo mein, authorities contend.

Police, who found more than \$200 in cash left in Liu's pocket and vehicle, concluded the crime was hatched from hunger and stupidity, all designed to snare a free meal.

All of the suspects are charged with second-degree murder, robbery and weapon possession. None of the teens has prior criminal records.

Royster's four alleged accomplices are being held without bail.