

Philosophy of Law

OPTIONAL ASSIGNMENT III, EMMACHILD

NAME: _____

Directions: Answer the following question carefully. Your answer must be approximately one **typed** single-spaced page, or two **typed** double-spaced pages. Do not enclose your paper in any type of folder or cover; return this page with your paper. The paper is worth a maximum of 25 points. Staple, do not paper-clip, your assignment together.

DUE DATE: TBA _____

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Interview three people, asking them whether or not they support *Capital Punishment*. Carefully note their reasons, for or against (try to interview people with *different* views) Capital Punishment. Then, compare their views with the decision in *Gregg v. Georgia*, and with your own views of capital punishment. **BE SURE TO INCLUDE IN BOTH YOUR INTERVIEW AND YOUR ANALYSIS A DISCUSSION OF THE 8TH AMENDMENT'S PROHIBITION AGAINST "CRUEL AND UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT"**.

NOTE: DO NOT INTERVIEW MORE THAN ONE FAMILY MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD. IDENTIFY YOUR INTERVIEWEES BY GENDER AND AGE ONLY.