

To: Samantha Solveson

From: Bart Van Voorhis, Coordinator

Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the

Protection of Human Subjects

Date: October 23, 2009

Re: RESEARCH PROTOCOL SUBMITTED TO IRB

The IRB Executive Committee has reviewed your proposed research project: "Perceptions of the Death Penalty: The effects of Race and Type of Execution."

Because your research protocol will place human subjects at minimal risk, it has been approved under the expedited review category in accordance with 45CFR46, 46.110(a)(b).

Since you are not seeking federal funding for this research, the review process is complete and you may proceed with your project. Remember to provide participants a copy of the consent form and to keep a copy for your records. Consent documentation and IRB records should be retained for at least 3 years after completion of the project.

Please note that this approval is for a one year period only, from the date of this letter. If the project continues for more than 12 months, an IRB renewed approval must be requested. This renewal should be applied for at least one month prior to your one year expiration.

Good luck with your project!

cc: IRB File

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