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Parental/Guardian Permission Form for Department Pool Participants Earning Credit

Your child, _____, is invited to take part in a study named Crime and Punishment. The study is designed to learn more about how people choose to judge and punish different crimes, and whether people's punishment decisions are similar to the legal field. The study is being conducted by Tali Mentovich who is the principal investigator, as part of her graduate training. The faculty sponsor of this work is Professor Yaacov Trope from the Psychology Department.

If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he/she will be asked to complete a series of questionnaires. Your child's participation will take about 30 minutes and he or she will receive 0.5 hour credit for laboratory participation towards the course research requirement. When your child completes the study, a thorough verbal and written explanation of it will be given to him/her.

There are no known risks associated with your child's participation in this research beyond those of everyday life. Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make him or her more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand how people make punishment decisions and what psychological process works behind them as well as people's moral thinking and reasoning.

Taking part in this study is voluntary. Not taking part or withdrawing after the study has begun will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. If your child withdraws at any time, no credit but also no penalty will be given. Your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions he or she prefers not to answer.

Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by not collecting any identifying information. The data from the study will be kept at least until 5 years after publication, as recommended by the American Psychological Association. If it is destroyed, this will be done by shredding paperwork and deleting electronic media.

If there is anything about the study or your child's participation that is unclear or that you do not understand, if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact Tali Mentovich at (212) 998-7924, 6 Washington Place, Room 572, New York, NY 10003, or the Faculty Sponsor, Professor Professor Yaacov Trope at (212) 998-3897, yaacov.trope@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place, 7th Fl. New York, NY 10003. For questions about your rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), NYU, (212) 998-4808 or ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu, 665 Broadway, Suite 804, New York, NY 10012.

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Permission

Parent's Signature

Date

