Choose your thesis from one of these topics OR a topic within the scope of the course, discussed with and approved by me not later than March 19.

Assume that the Supreme Court has never ruled on the issue. Make the strongest LEGAL argument supporting your position in the following fashion:

Paragraph 1: State your thesis (include a powerful and persuasive "why" sentence or two). (20% of grade)

Paragraph 2: State the opposing position. Do this fairly and professionally. Test your work: would this paragraph, standing alone, be persuasive to people truly undecided on this issue. (30%)

Paragraph(s) 3-5: Clearly and persuasively explain why your position is "right". At least two sentences should be devoted to establishing how/why the "contra" thesis is in error. (50%)

Do this all on one side of one 8.5" x 11" page. Single line spacing is permitted. Reasonable margins and spaces between paragraphs. Professional font, size 13pt.