

# **Applying Ethical Frameworks to a Dilemma**

**Due: In-class, Wed Jan 28<sup>th</sup> by 3:05pm**

**Format:** Double spaced, 12 point Times-Roman

## **Assignment**

Read the attached scenario (ethical\_dilemma.pdf), then answer the following questions. Answer in well written, complete paragraphs (in other words, not a series of fragments or bullet points).

1. What would an act-utilitarian analysis suggest you do? Why?
2. What would a rule-utilitarian analysis suggest you do? Why? (For both 1 and 2, be sure to identify stakeholders and impact on them.)
3. What would a Kantianism / deontological analysis suggest you do? Why?
4. What would a divine command theory analysis suggest you do? Why? (Specify which divine command(s) you are using.)
5. Combine these different perspectives and provide a well-reasoned argument for the course of action that YOU would take in this situation.

## **Grading criteria**

- Completeness
- Writing
- Insight into each ethical theory
- Your personal ethical analysis (you are not graded on the conclusion you make, but on a reasoned discussion of why you reach that conclusion)