

'Dicisign' (pub. 17.04.13-20:00). Quote in M. Bergman & S. Paavola (Eds.), *The Commens Dictionary: Peirce's Terms in His Own Words. New Edition*. Retrieved from <http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-letters-lady-welby-19>.

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**Term:** Dicisign

**Quote:** In regard to its relation to its signified interpretant, a sign is either a Rheme, a Dicient, or an Argument. This corresponds to the old division Term, Proposition, & Argument, modified so as to be applicable to signs generally. [—] A *proposition* as I use that term, is a dicient symbol. A dicient is not an assertion, but is a sign capable of being asserted. But an assertion is a dicient. [—] I define a dicient as a sign represented in its signified interpretant *as if it were* in a Real Relation to its Object. (Or as being so, if it is asserted.)

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (nd). *Letters to Lady Welby*. MS [R] L463.

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