Term:    Assertion
Quote:   ...an act of assertion supposes that, a proposition being formulated, a person
        performs an act which renders him liable to the penalties of the social law (or,
        at any rate, those of the moral law) in case it should not be true, unless he has
        a definite and sufficient excuse...
Source:  Peirce, C. S. (1903). *Syllabus: Syllabus of a course of Lectures at the Lowell
References:  EP 2:278; CP 2.315
Date of Quote:  1903