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## Dissection Lab

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I stand  
Steely scissors in trembling hands  
Over the scaly dweller of the stream  
The creature mellowed by morphine  
To lay its shivering silver body on the slate table

I completed the paperwork  
But I was not prepared  
To take the life of the silvery White Sucker fish  
Between bones, the humane nerve resides  
The tip of the opercular  
The top of the first vertebrae

What gives me the right to take its life?  
I am not its god  
Just as equal of a creation as she is

Might I have to worry of other's  
Who signed a form to take my life? All just to learn of my  
internals' secrets  
Never meant to get out.

Snip.

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