



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.1/U/27

In the Matter of A Piece of Land,
Wymington, Bedfordshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of a piece of land at Wymington, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.42 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Bedfordshire County Council of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Commons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

Following upon the public notice of this reference Mr.David Smith claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no other person claimed to have information as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Bedford on 12th February 1974.

At the hearing Mr. J.H. Daker, solicitor, appeared for Mr.David Wilson Smith.

Mr.Smith holds the land in question under a conveyance made 17th August 1971 between (1) Alice Mary Smith (2) Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Co.Ltd (3) David Wilson Smith. The root of Mr.Smith's title is a conveyance made 17th February 1937 between (1) William Wilson Smith (2) William Wilson Smith and Walter Wilson Smith (trading as W.W. Smith & Sons).

On this evidence I am satisfied that Mr.David Wilson Smith is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Bedfordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register him as the owner of the land under section 8(2) of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Regulations 1971 to explain that a person aggrieved by this decision as being erroneous in point of law may, within 6 weeks from the date on which notice of the decision is sent to him, require me to state a case for the decision of the High Court.

Dated this 7th day of March 1974

Chief Commons Commissioner