



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No. 54/U/3

In the Matter of Ffridd Dolgamedd, Brithdir &
Islawrdref, Meirionnydd D.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as Ffridd Dolgamedd, Brithdir and Islawrdred, Meirionnydd D. being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No. CL.75 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the former Merioneth 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 John Hugh Jones and Miss Eirwen Jones claimed to be the freehold owners 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 Dolgellau on 4th November 1975.

Mr. T.M. Wynne of Messrs. J. Charles Hughes & Co., appeared for Mr. J.H. Jones and Miss E. Jones. Mr. J.H. Jones gave evidence that he and his sister acquired Dolgamedd Farm in 1963 and had been tenants of that farm since 1945 and that his family had farmed that farm since 1877. The conveyance dated 22 October 1965 whereby he and his sister acquired the farm from David Thomas Jones comprised sheep walks but the plan on the conveyance did not comprise any sheep walks. Mr. Jones who is aged 60 had lived at Dolgamedd all his life and stated that the land in question had always been farmed as one unit with the farm, that he would not have paid the price which he paid in 1963 if the conveyance to him had not comprised the land in question. This land was fenced by a dry stone wall of great antiquity and he had kept the wall in repair and done drainage works on the land, in about 1951/52 and received a grant for that purpose. He had always claimed ownership and been in exclusive occupation of the land and his claim to ownership had never been contested.

On this evidence I am satisfied that John Hugh Jones and Miss Eirwen Jones are the owners of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Gwynedd County Council, as registration authority, to register John Hugh Jones and Miss Eirwen Jones as the owners of the land under section 2 (2) of the Act of 1965.



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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

8th

day of December 1975

C. A. Lettle

Commons Commissioner