The Nature and Existence of a Licence

1. Do licences constitute “possessions” within the meaning of A1P1 of the ECHR?

Authorities:

Cherwell District Council v Naveed Anwar [2011] EWHC 2943 (Admin)

Crompton v Department of Transport North-Western Area [2003] EWCA Civ 64

Waltham Forest NHS Primary Care Trust and Secretary of State for Health v Malik [2007] EWCA Civ 265

2. Is a licence a proprietary right?

3. Is there a distinction to be drawn between a premises licence and a taxi licence?

4. If a licence is a proprietary right, can it vest in the Crown as Bona Vacantia if the company holding the licence is dissolved?

5. Why does this matter?!

6. Practical considerations.