

K O M W



**REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE**

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B.S. #1778

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 12-11-47

Call letters K.O.M.W.

LOCATION: OMAK, WASHINGTON

Name of licensee K O M W, INC. (ML 6-4-48)  
x MILLER PUBLISHING CO., INC.

Transmitter location Radio Road (Re-descript. BP-18,591)7-10-69  
1 mile Southwest of Omak, Washington (CP 4-17-47)

98841  
Main studio location Same as Trans.  
1 miles Southwest of Omak, Washington (CP 4-17-47)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No.             | Date Issued   | Freq.  | Power | Time Div. | Period From-- To-- |
|-----------------------|---|--|-------|-----------|--------------------|
| 85-P-5520             | 4-17-47   | 680kc  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 6-17 12-17-47      |
|                       | C.P. for new station.   |  |       |           |                    |
| BMP-3155              | 9-19-47   | 680  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 6-17 12-17-47      |
|                       | Mod. CP (5520) to make changes in vertical antenna  |  |       |           |                    |
| BL-2749               | 12-11-47  | 680  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 12-11 11-1-49      |
| BZ-2589               | Lic. to cover C.P. (5520, as mod.) and authority to determine operating power by direct method. |  |       |           |                    |
| BZ-2858               | 4-15-48   | 680  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 4-15 11-1-49       |
|                       | Determine operating power by direct method.   |  |       |           |                    |
| BML-1296              | 6-4-48  | 680  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 6-4 11-1-49        |
|                       | Mod. of Lic. to change name of licensee from Miller Publishing Co., Inc. to KOMW Inc.           |  |       |           |                    |
| BR-1778               | 10-28-49  | Extension of license   |       |           | 11-1 3-1-50        |
| BR-1778               | 2-21-50   | 680  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 2-21 11-1-52       |
| BZ-3404               | 6-16-52   | 680  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 6-16 11-1-52       |
|                       | <u>Determine operating power by direct method</u>   |  |       |           |                    |
| BR-1778               | 10-15-52  | 680kc  | 1kw   | Daytime   | 11-1 2-1-54        |
| BR-1778               | 1-6-54  | RENEWAL OF LICENSE   |       |           | 2-1 2-1-57         |
| BZ-3561<br>(1)        | 3-26-54   | Determine operating power by direct method                           |       |           |                    |
| BR-1778               | 1-17-57   | 680  | 1kw   | Day       | 2-1 2-1-60         |
|                       | 1-27-60   | Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration. |       |           |                    |
| BR-1778               | 3-16-60   | Renewal of license   |       |           | 3-16 2-1-63        |
| BR-1778               | 3-16-60   | Superseding authorization correcting date of grant                   |       |           |                    |
| BR-1778               | 1-11-63   | Renewal of license   |       |           | 2-1 2-1-66         |
| BR-1778               | 1-10-66   | Renewal of license   |       |           | 2-1 2-1-69         |
| BR-1778(1)<br>BZ-7077 | 1-31-69   | Renewal of License & NDEA Direct Meas.                               |       |           | 2-1-72             |
| BP-18591              | 7-10-69   | 680kc  | 1kw   | Day       | 3-10-70            |
|                       | CP to install a new alt. main trans.  |  |       |           |                    |
| BL-12,455<br>(L)      | 10-31-69  | Lic. to cover P-18,591 to install alt. main trans.                   |       |           | 2-1-72             |
| BS-1778(1)            | 1-20-71   | Chg. Feb. & June SR times. (Main)                                    |       |           |                    |
| BS-1778(1)<br>Comte.  | 3-3-71  | PSA  | 500w  | protect   | KNBR               |

Form BC 126

June 1954

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Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

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|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| BR-1778(L)   | 2-8-72                | RENEWAL             | MAIN                  | SALT.MAIN<br>& NDEA | 2-1-75             |
| EBSA         | 5-25-72               |                     |                       |                     |                    |
| BP-19,519    | 7-10-74<br>CP to inc. | 680khz.             | 5kw<br>to 5kw.        | Day                 | 7-10-75            |
| BR-1778(S)   | 2-28-75               | RENEWAL             | (MAIN &               | ALT. MAIN)          | 2-1-78             |
| BL-13,878(L) | 4-3-75                | Lic. to             | cover BP-19519        | for changes         | 2-1-78             |
| BTC-7769     | 6/18/75               | Vol TC              | EFF:                  |                     |                    |
| BR-1778      | 1-19-78               | (S) REN. OF LICENSE | MAIN & ALTER. TRANS.) |                     | 2-1-81             |
| BZ-9780(L)   | 5-18-79               | Direct              | Measurement           |                     | 2-1-81             |

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call K O M W  
 Letters x New

Name MILLER PUBLISHING CO., INC.

(PO c/o Don Miller, Pres., Box 810, Wenatchee, Washington)

| File No.                    | Dated                           | Application for  | Action  |         |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------|---------|
|                             |                                 |  | Nature  | Date    |
| B5-P-5520<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 12-5-46<br>12-12-46<br>12-12-46 | Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on:<br>Frequency: 680kc<br>Power: 1kw<br>Hours of operation: Daytime only<br>Trans. location: 1 mile southwest of Omak,<br>Washington<br>Studio location: Same | GRANTED | 4-17-47 |
| BMP-3155<br>Rec'd<br>Filed  | 9-8-47<br>9-11-47<br>9-11-47    | Mod. of C.P. (B5-P-5520, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to make changes in vertical antenna.   | GRANTED | 9-19-47 |

Transmitter- W.E. 442A-1

J.B. Hatfield, Engr.  
Seattle, Washington

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call  
Letters K O M WName MILLER PUBLISHING CO., INC.

| File No.                                      | Dated   | Application for   | Action  |          |
|---|---|---|---|----------|
|   |   |   | Nature  | Date     |
| BL-2749<br>Rec'd<br>Filed                     | 9-25-47<br>9-29-47<br>10-20-47                    | License to cover C.P. (B5-P-5520, as mod.)<br>which authorized a new standard broadcast<br>station.<br><br>and<br>Authority to determine operating power by<br>direct measurement of antenna power. | GRANTED   | 12-11-47 |
| BZ-2589<br>Rec'd<br>Filed                     | 9-25-47<br>9-29-47<br>10-20-47                    | Authority to determine operating power by<br>direct measurement of antenna power.   |   |          |
| BZ-2858<br>Rec'd<br>Resubm.<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 3-10-48<br>3-15-48<br>3-25-48<br>4-2-48<br>4-2-48 | Authority to determine operating power by<br>direct measurement of antenna power.   | <del>Returned letter 3-24-48</del><br>signed by manager.<br>GRANTED | 4-15-48  |

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Call  
Letters K O M WName MILLER PUBLISHING CO., INC.

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|                            |                                |   | Nature  | Date     |
| BML-1296<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 4-5-48<br>4-9-48<br>4-9-48     | Mod. of License to change name of licensee from Miller Publishing Co., Inc. <u>to</u> K O M W, Inc. | GRANTED | 6-4-48   |
| BR-1778<br>Rec'd           | 8-12-49<br>8-25-49             | Renewal of license<br>(Vernon Wilkinson, Attorney)  | GRANTED | 2-21-50  |
| BZ-3404<br>Rec'd<br>Filed  | 5-12-52<br>5-16-52<br>5-16-52  | Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.                      | GRANTED | 6-16-52  |
| BR-1778<br>Rec'd<br>Filed  | 7-23-52<br>8-1-52<br>8-1-52    | Renewal of license<br>Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.   | GRANTED | 10-15-52 |
| BR-1778<br>Rec'd<br>Filed  | 10-20-53<br>11-2-53<br>11-2-53 | Renewal of License<br>Filed by Leonidas P. B. Emerson, Atty.  | GRANTED | 1-6-54   |

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FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call Letters K O M W

Name KOMW, Inc.  
Omak, Washington

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|                           |                                  |  | Nature  | Date    |
| B7-3561<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 1-29-54<br>2-11-54<br>2-11-54    | Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. | GRANTED | 3-26-54 |
| BR-1778<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 10-11-56<br>10-25-56<br>10-25-56 | Renewal of license<br>Edward R. McKenna, Atty                                  | GRANTED | 1-17-57 |
| BR-1778<br>Rec'd & Filed  | 10-7-59<br>10-12-59              | Renewal of license.  | GRANTED | 3-16-60 |
| BR-1778<br>Rec'd & Filed  | 10-12-62<br>10-25-62<br>10-25-62 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE   | GRANTED | 1-11-63 |
| BR-1778<br>R & F          | 10-6-65<br>10-28-65              | Renewal of license<br>Atty- McKenna & <u>Wilkinson</u>                         | GRANTED | 1-10-66 |

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Call  
Letters .....K.O.M.W.....Name K O M W, INC.  
Omak, Washington

| File No.   | Dated                                    | Application for   | Action   |         |
|--|--|---|--|---------|
|  |  |   | Nature   | Date    |
| BR-1778<br>R & F<br>#468718 \$75.00<br>PRESS<br>NOV 25 1968                                    | 10-23-68<br>10-30-68<br>10-30-68         | Renewal of license<br>AMENDED 1-16-69 re: Programming<br><br>Atty. Vernon L. Wilkinson                                      | GRANTED<br>(Issued with BZ-7077)   | 1-31-69 |
| BZ-7077<br>R & F<br>DM<br><br>JAN 29 1969  | 12/12/68<br>12/16/68<br>12/30/68         | Direct Meas.<br><br>Engr: Geo. M. Freese, Wash. state   | GRANTED<br>(Issued with BR-1778)   | 1-31-69 |
| BP-18,591<br>Rec'd<br>#514755 \$30<br>Resub.<br>R. & F.<br>JUL 7 1969<br><br>PT-8-28-69 (alt.) | 5-19-69<br>5-26-69<br>5-26-69<br>6-30-69 | CP to install a new alternate-main transmitter<br>(RCA BTA-1R3).<br>atty-Dow, Lohnes and Albertson<br>(Vernon L. Wilkinson) | Returned-6-2-69<br><del>-transmitter-not-type-</del><br>accepted-<br>GRANTED | 7-10-69 |

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Call Letters ..... KOMW

Name ..... KOMW, INC.  
Omak, Washington

| File No.   | Dated  | Application for   | Action                                      |                                 |
|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------|
|  |  |   | Nature                                      | Date                            |
| BL-12,455<br>R&F<br>\$30 #536347<br>PT   | 8-14-69<br>8-18-69<br>8-18-69<br>10-28-69            | Lic. cover BP-18,591 which authorized install.<br>alt. main trans.<br>Vernon Wilkinson, Atty.   | GRANTED                                     | 10-31-69                        |
| <b>OCT 30 1969</b>   |  |   |   |                                 |
| BR-1778<br>R & F<br>PN Recd.<br>PRESS<br>NOV 1 1971                                    | 10-18-71<br>"<br>"                                   | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER.MAIN)<br>V.L.Wilkinson,Atty<br>AMENDED 1-27-72 re: employment policy<br>AMENDED 12-27-74 re: employment policy | GRANTED                                     | 2-8-72                          |
| BP-19,519<br>Rec'd<br>Filed<br>\$200-240954<br>PN Filed<br>PRESS: APR 1 1974<br>AC-017 | 10-4-73<br>10-9-73<br>10-9-74<br>10-9-73<br>10-23-73 | Construction permit to increase power to<br>5kw.<br><br>Atty. McKenna, Wilkinson, & Kittner.<br>Eng. George M. Frese                            | GRANTED<br>Gr. fee<br>\$1800 (X)<br>Pd. 018 | 7-10-74<br>requested<br>7-29-74 |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

680 khz.

Call  
Letters K O M W

Name K O M W, INC.  
Omak, Washington

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|--|---|--|----------------------------------|---------|
|  |   |  | Nature                           | Date    |
| BR-1778<br>R & F<br>P.N.<br>PRESS                                | 8-30-74<br>9-18-74<br>9-18-74                           | Renewal of License (Main & Alternate Main)<br><br>Atty.: Vernon L. Wilkinson   | GRANTED                          | 2-28-75 |
| BL-13,878<br>R & F<br>\$50#374266<br>PTA<br>PRESS                | <del>12-12-74</del><br>12-16-74<br>12-17-74<br>12-24-74 | Lic. to cover BP-19519 for changes<br><br>Atty. Vernon L. Wilkinson  | GRANTED                          | 4-3-75  |
| BTC-7769<br>R & F<br>FEE PD \$50 # 429562<br>CODE 047 (FORM 316) | 5-15-75<br>5-19-75                                      | Voluntary acquisition of positive control of<br>lic corp by Dean Nichols & Jessie E. Nichols,<br>as a Family group, thru purchase of stock from<br>Mildred Pentz | GRANTED<br>EFF:<br>No gr fee req | 6/18/75 |

OCT 7 1974

MAR 11 1975

JUN 6 1975

Atty - McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner

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680 khz

Form BC-121

May 1976

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Call  
Letters K O M WName KOMW, INC.  
OMAK, WASHINGTON

| File No.                              | Dated  | Application for   | Action   |                |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|----------|----------------|
|                                       |  |   | Nature   | Date           |
| BR-1778<br>R & F<br>PN Recd.<br>PRESS | 8-26-77<br>9-12-77<br>"<br><b>OCT 3 1977</b> | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER. TRANS.)<br><br>Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty. | GRANTED  | 1-19-78        |
| BZ-9780<br>R & F<br>DM<br>PRESS       | 3-29-78<br>6-16-78<br><br><b>MAY 3 1979</b>  | Direct Measurement  | GRANTED  | 5-18-79        |
| BR-800923UE<br>PRESS                  | <b>OCT 31 1980</b>                           | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>Atty. Vernon L. Wilkinson                             | <i>m</i> | <i>1-26-81</i> |



## About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3” by 5” filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only one set is known to exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

