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W A M S

STATION LICENSE RECORD

W A M S (2-9-48)

Date first licensed 7-8-48

Call letters X W A M S

Station location: Wilmington, Dela.

ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC. (BML 7-6-54)

Name of licensee X WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Intersed. Owl's Nest & Pyles Ford Rd., Greenville, near Wilmington, Del. (BZ 6-19-73) Relescr.

x Just W of intersection of Mt. Cuba and Owls Nest Roads, Approx. 6.5 mi. NW of center of Wilmington, Delaware. (MP 4-1-48) (Lic. 7-8-48)

Transmitter location X Approx. 5.8 miles from center of the business district, Wilmington, Delaware. (CP 11-13-47)

Same as transmitter.

X Just West of intersection of Mt. Cuba and Owls Nest Roads, approximately 6.5 miles Northwest of center of Wilmington, Delaware (Letter 1-22-68)

x 414 French St., Wilmington, Del. (ltr. dtd. 4-20-54)

x Just West of intersection of Mt. Cuba and Owls Nest Roads, Approx. 6.5 mi. NW of center of Wilmington, Delaware (Ltr. 2-12-51)

414 French Street, Wilmington, Delaware (L.c. 7-8-48)

Main studio location x To be determined, Wilmington, Delaware. (CP 11-13-47)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From	To
P-5873	11-13-47	1380	1kw-DA	Sh. with WAWZ	1-13	7-13-48
	CP for new station. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)					
BMP-3544	4-1-48	1380	1kw-DA	Sh - WAWZ	1-13	7-13-48
	Mod. CP (5873) to change type of T, make changes in DA and mount FM antenna on AM tower and change T site. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)					
BL-3113	7-8-48	1380	1kwDA	Sh. with WAWZ	7-8	11-1-50
	Lic. to cover CP(5873 as mod) for a new station and specify studio site. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BS-1981	9-21-48	1380	1kw-DA	Sh with WAWZ	9-21	11-1-50
	Cond. Cl.) Mod. Lic. to correct operating constants as shown in DA specifications.					
ML-1308	2-17-49	1380	1kw-DA	U except hrs. after LSS when WAWZ oprs.	2-17	11-1-50
	ML to change hrs. of opr. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BS-1981	12-22-49					
	Mod. Lic. to correct DA specs. (COND. CLAUSE)					
					12-22	11-1-50
S-1981	10-30-50				11-1	3-1-51
	Extension of license					
BS-1981	2-28-51				3-1	6-1-51
	Extension of license					
ML-1362	2-21-51	1380	1kw-DA-1	U	4-21	10-21-51
	CP to change hours and make changes in DA system. (COND. CLAUSE)					
R-1981	5-23-51	1380	1kw-DA-1	U	5-23	11-1-53
L-4547	10-17-51	1380	1kw* *DA-1	U	10-17	11-1-53
	Lic. cover CP (ML-1362) to chg. hrs. of oper. and chgs. in DA system					
BS-1981(1)	2-25-53					
	Mod. of lic. to correct operating specs.					
BR-1981	10-7-53	1380	1kw-DA-1	U	11-1	8-1-54
BTC-1678	4-14-54					
EFF	5-14-54					
	Transfer of control from Frank S. Carrow, et al, to <u>ROLLINS BROADCASTING, INC.</u>					
telegram	7-29-54					
	Action on renewal deferred 7-28-54 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal.					

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

B-5-

#2

Date first licensed

Call letters **WAMS**

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BML-1589 (1)	7-6-54 Mod. of	1380kc license	1kw-DA-1, Un	Un	11-1-53 8-1-54 applicant
BR-1981	7-13-55	1380kc	1kw-DA-1	U	7-13 8-1-57
BP-11056	2-7-57	1380kc	1kw-DA-1	U	4-7-57 10-7-57 Construction permit to install new transmitter
TELEGRAM	7-31-57	Action on renewal deferred 7-25-57 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal applic.			
BR-1981	9-5-57	1380kc	1kw-DA-1	U	9-5 8-1-60
BL-6714	9-5-57	License to cover construction permit (BP-11,056) which authorized installation of a new transmitter. (Issued with renewal) (MAIN)			
BL-6715	10-1-57	1380kc	1kw-DA-1	Aux.	10-1 8-1-60 License to use old main transmitter (WE 443A-1) to be located at present location of main trans. for Auxiliary purposes only.
BTC-2837 Eff: 7-13-58	7-14-58	Voluntary acquisition of neg. cont. of Rollins Broadcasting, Inc. parent corp. of licensee corp. by John W. Rollins thru transfer of stock from Katharine E. Rollins.			
BTC-2901 Eff: 10-1-58	10-1-58	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of Rollins Broadcasting, Inc. parent corp. of licensee corp. by O. Wayne Rollins thru purchase of stock from John W. Rollins by the parent corporation and the retirement thereof.			
BP-11601	5-6-59	1380kc	1kw-DA-2 5kw-S.H.,	U	7-6 1-6-60 except when WAWZ operates and then with only 1 kilowatt. CP to increase daytime power and change from DA-1 to DA-2, when WBNX operates & WAWZ is silent; & install new transmitter. (Cond'l)
BMP 8835 (1)	2-2-60	Mod. of CP(BP-11601) for extension of completion date to 3-6-60.			
BP-11601 (2)	2-16-60	Mod. of CP(BP-11601) to show the new inverse distance field intensity values.			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W A M S

Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BZ-8354(L)	6-19-73	Direct Measurement (Main and Aux.) 1380khz	1kw, 5kw-1S 1kw - Aux	DA-3 U	8-1-75 Main
Comlet	7-23-74	Ant. monitor	Potomac Inst.		AM-19(204)
BR-1981(L)	7-23-75	RENEWAL	(MAIN & AUX.)		8-1-78
BS-1981(L)	6-21-77	ML to add condition re: section 73.114(A)(8) of the rules			XXXXXX 8-1-78
LTR.	2-27-78	TRANS:	HARRIS MW-5 now installed		
BR-1981(L)	7-12-78	RENEWAL	(MAIN & AUX.)		8-1-81
BR-1981(L)	7-12-78	Superseded to add on Second Auxiliary Transmitter.			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed

Call letters W.A.M.S.

Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
	7-27-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-1981	2-1-61	renewal of license Main and Aux.			2-1 8-1-63
BMP-8653 (Cond'1)	3-15-61	1380kc	1kw-DA-3 5kw-LS (two patterns day and one pattern night)	U	5-15 11-15-61 Construction permit to change from DA-2 to DA-3.
BL-7817	6-19-61	1380kc	1kw, 5kw- LS, DA-2	U	6-19-61 8-1-63 Lic. to cover CP (BP-11601) which auth. inc. in daytime power, change from DA-1 to DA-2 when WENX operates and WAWZ is silent and install new trans
BMP-8653 (2)	12-6-61 MEMO	Mod. of CP (BMP-8653) to show that the field intensity measured at 268° should not exceed 58 mv/m.			
BMP-9891 (1)	11-16-61	Mod. of CP (BMP-8653) for extension of completion date to 1-16-62.			
BMP-10,076 (3)	2-9-62	Mod. CP (BP-8653, as mod.) for extension of completion date to March 1, 1962			
BL-9147	4-18-63	1380	1kw-5kw	U	4-18 8-1-63 Lic. to cover CP (BMP-8653 as mod) which auth. chg. DA-2 to DA-3.
BL-9148	4-18-63	1380kc	1kw	Aux	4-18 8-1-63 Lic. to chg. aux. trans. (WE 443-A1) from DA-2 to DA-3.
BR-1981	7-10-63	Renewal of license (Main and Aux.)			8-1 8-1-66
Ltr. rec'd	1-22-68	giving notification that studios now located at ant.-trans. site.			
BR-1981(L)	3-20-68	Renewal (Main & Aux. & NDEA)			8-1-69
BR-1981(L)	1-29-70	Renewal (Main & Aux. & NDEA) (L) (S)			2-1-71 (short term)
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-1981(S)	9-22-72	Renewal of Main & Aux.			8-1-75

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

W A M S (2-9-48)

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Name WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
 (PO 1225 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-5873	2-5-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broad- cast station to be operated on: Frequency: 650kc 1380kc Power: 250w 1kw Specified hours Hours of operation: Daytime only S.-WAWZ Trans. location: To be determined In or near Wilmington, Delaware Studio location: To be determined - Wilmington, Delaware (Filed by Vincent B. Welch, Atty.; Harold B. Rothrock, Engr.)	GRANTED	11-13-47
Rec'd	2-7-47		Docket No. 8280	
Filed	2-7-47		Granted after hearing.	
AMENDED	6-25-47	AMENDED to make change in directors	Subj. to acceptance by permittee of such inter- ference as may be imposed by the pending application of Station KWK, St. Louis Missouri. (BP 4843)	
Recd.	7-3-47			
Filed	7-11-47			
(See Amend. Card #2)				

Transmitter-W.E.-451-A1 RCA BTA 1L

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Card #2

Call W A M S

Letters X N E WName WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-5873 (cont. from Card #1)				
AMENDED	7-22-47	AMENDED to change frequency from 650kc to 1380kc; power from 250w to 1kw; hours of operation from daytime to specified hours (S -WAWZ); change type transmitter(RCA BTA 1L); install DA for both day and night (DA-1) and change transmitter location from -to be determined ^{in or near} Wilmington, Delaware, to -Approx. 5.8 miles from the center of business district of Wilmington, Delaware. Change transmitter type		
Recd.	7-22-47			
Filed	8-1-47			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

W A M S

Call
Letters WARSName #3
WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3544	1-6-48	Mod. of G.P. (BP-5873, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (W.E. 443-A1), make changes in D.A. and mount FM antenna on AM tower, and change transmitter location from Approx. 5.8 miles from center of business district of Wilmington, Delaware <u>TO</u> Just west of intersection of Mt. Cuba and Owls Nest Roads, approx. 6.5 mi. NW of center of Wilmington, Del. (Filed by Vincent B. Welch, Atty.; George B. Bairey, Engr.)	GRANTED	4-1-48
Rec'd	1-7-48		subj. to acceptance by	
Filed	1-7-48		permittee of such interference as may be imposed by the pending application of Sta. KWK, St. Louis, Mo.: (BP-4843)	

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Card #4

Call
Letters W.A.M.S.

Name WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-3113 Rec'd. Filed	4-12-48 4-14-48 4-14-48	Application for BP-5873 License to cover C.P. (5873 as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and specify studio location at 414 French Street, Wilmington, Delaware. (Filed by Vincent B. Welch, Atty.) Frank H. McIntosh, Eng.	GRANTED subj. to acceptance of such interference as may be imposed by the granted application of KWK, St. Louis, Missouri (BP-4843)	7-2-48
BML-1308 Rec'd Filed	6-23-48 6-29-48 6-29-48	Modification of License to change hours of operation from S-WAWZ to simultaneous day, S-WAWZ night. Vincent B. Welch, Atty. James R. Croy, Engr.	GRANTED removal from hearing do. same cond. as above Docket # 9155 Order Issued	2-17-49 after
BML-1362 Rec'd Filed	7-1-49 7-5-49 7-5-49	Modification of license to change hours of operation from unlimited time except for those hours after local sunset which station WAWZ operates to unlimited time with power of 1kw. Vincent B. Welch, Atty. (SEE AMENDMENT ON CARD 5 (.....).)	* GRANTED re properly designed phase monitor; re field meas. equip; re a complet non-DA proof in addition to proof on DA system. *Docket 9630 after being removed from hrg.	2-21-51

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Call
Letters W.A.N.S.Name WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BML-1362 AMENDED Rec'd Filed	7-13-50 7-20-50 7-21-50	AMENDED to change from modification of license to construction permit and make changes in the directional antenna system.	See action on card 4	
BSSA-254 Rec'd Filed	8-30-50 8-31-50 8-31-50	Special Service Authorization to operate on 1380kc, 1kw, DA-1 Unlimited for a period of six months or until final disposition has been made of BML-1362.	DENIED Order	9-27-50 issued

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Letters

W A M S

Name WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1981 Rec'd	8-30-50 9-12-50	Renewal of license Filed by Edward F. Kenehan atty.	Granted	5-23-51
BL-4547 Rec'd Filed	9-7-51 9-10-51 9-10-51	License to cover construction permit (BML-1362) which author. change in hrs. of operation and changes in directional antenna system.	GRANTED	10-17-51
BR-1981 Rec'd Filed	7-31-53 8-3-53 8-3-53	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10-7-53
BTC-1678 Rec'd Filed	2-15-54 2-15-54 2-15-54	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Frank S. Carrow et al to Rollins Broadcasting, Inc. (100%). Maurice Barnes, Atty.	GRANTED EFF	4-14-54 5-14-54

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FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters WAMSName WILMINGTON TRI-STATE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1981 Rec'd Filed	4-26-54 4-29-54 4-29-54	Renewal of License Filed by Maurice R. Barnes, Atty.	GRANTED	7-13-55
BML-1589 Rec'd Filed	6-18-54 6-22-54 6-22-54	Modification of license to change name of licensee to <u>Hollins Broadcasting of Delaware, Inc.</u> Maurice R. Barnes, Atty.	GRANTED	7-6-54
STATION NO	LONGER REPRESENTED BY MAURICE BARNES PER LTR. 9-13-55			
BP-11,056 Rec'd Filed	1-9-57 1-11-57 1-28-57	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1MX). Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	2-7-57
BR-1981 Rec'd Filed	4-26-57 5-2-57 5-2-57	Renewal of license Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	9-5-57

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WAMS

Name ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1981 Rec'd	4-26-57 5-2-57	Renewal of License. (Auxiliary)	Returned Hold no license for an Auxiliary Transmitter	7-3-57
BL-6714 Rec'd Filed	7-18-57 7-23-57 7-23-57	License to cover Construction Permit BP-11,056 which authorized installation of a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1MX). Atty's: Cohn & Marks	GRANTED (Issued with renewal)	9-5-57

FORM BC-121
 AUG. 1955 #9

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WAMS

Name ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-6715 Rec'd Filed	7-18-57 7-23-57 7-23-57	License to use old main transmitter (W.E. 443-A) as an auxiliary transmitter to be located at present location of main trans., and to be operated on 1380kc, with power of 1kw-DA-1 for auxiliary purposes only. Atty's: Cohn & Marks	GRANTED	10-1-57
BP-11,601 Rec'd Filed	9-20-57 9-24-57 9-24-57	Construction permit to increase daytime power from 1kw to 5kw (when WBNX operates and WAWZ is silent) and change from DA-1 to DA-2. Atty. - Cohn & Marks Engr. - G. R. Chambers, Wilmington, Del.	GRANTED	5-6-59
AMENDMENT R & F	10-28-57 11-4-57	AMENDED to install new transmitter (Gates BC 5P)	Cond'l re: Phase mon., field meas. equip., DA & non-DA proof, Permittee subject to accepting any interference from a grant of proposed application	
AMENDMENT R & F	11-25-58 12-16-58	AMENDED to make changes in the DA system (one add'l tower -- 5 tower array); change from DA-2 to DA-3 and changes in the ground system, and change daytime power to 5kw all day.	BP-12430. Sufficient field intensity meas. shall be made before & after construction of the new antenna tower. The daytime operation with 5kw of power.	
AMENDMENT R & F	2-12-59 2-24-59	AMENDED to delete amend. filed 12-16-58 and revert to original request to incr. day power to 5kw - when WBNX operates & WAWZ is silent; change to DA-2 & install new trans.)		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

Call
Letters W A M SName ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.
Wilmington, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-2837 Rec'd. Filed	6-30-58 7-7-58 7-7-58	Voluntary acquisition of negative control of Rollins Broadcasting, Inc. parent corporation of licensee corporation by John W. Rollins thru purchase of stock from Katharine E. Rollins.	GRANTED EFF:	7-14-58 7-18-58
BTC-2901 Rec'd. Filed	9-11-58 9-16-58 9-16-58	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of Rollins Broadcasting, Inc. parent corporation of licensee corporation by O. Wayne Rollins thru purchase of stock from John W. Rollins by the parent corporation and the retirement thereof. Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	10-1-58 10-1-58

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955 # 11

Call
Letters W A M SName ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-8653 Rec'd Filed	7-9-59 7-13-59 7-13-59	Modification of Construction Permit (BP-11,601) which auth. increase daytime power and change from DA-1 to DA-2) to change from DA-2 to DA-3 ^{install new} Leonard Marks - Atty. G. R. Chambers, Wilmington, Del. - Engr.	GRANTED trans. Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip DA & non-DA proof Permittee shall establish that the RMS field.	3-15-61
BMP-8835 R & F	12-11-59 12-15-59	Modification of C. P. (BP-11601) which authorized increase in daytime power and change from DA-1 to DA-2, when WBNX operates and WANZ is silent, and install new transmitter) for extension of completion date from 1-6-60 to 7-6-60.	GRANTED to	2-2-60 3-6-60

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters W A M SName ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-7817	1-16-60	License to cover construction permit (EP-11601, as modified) which authorized increase in daytime power, change from DA-1 to DA-2 when WBNX operates and WAWZ is silent and installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	6-19-61
Rec'd	1-25-60			
Filed	1-25-60			
		Cohn & Marks, Atty. G. R. Chambers, Engr.		
BR-1981	5-2-60	Renewal of License. (MAIN)	GRANTED	2-1-61
Rec'd	5-6-60			
Filed	5-6-60	Stanley B. Cohen, Atty.		
BR-1981	6-23-60	Renewal of license (Auxiliary)	GRANTED	2-1-61
Rec'd	6-27-60			
Filed	6-27-60			
BR-1981	10-19-61	Mod of CP (EP-8653 which auth to chg from DA-	GRANTED	11-15-61
R&F	10-20-61	to DA-3) for extension of completion date from 11-15-61 to 1-16-62.	to	1-16-62
		Atty: Cohn and Marks		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

CARD # 14

Call
Letters WAMSName ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1981 R & F	4-30-63 5-7-63	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Paul Dobin, Atty.	GRANTED	7-10-63
BR-1981 R & F	4-26-66 5-2-66	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty - Cohn and Marks	GRANTED	3-20-68
BR--1981 R & F #512080 \$105. PRESS	4-30-69 5-5-69 5-5-69	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty-Cohn & Marks (Robert B. Jacobi) AMENDED 7-28-69 re: commercial practices	GRANTED (short term to 2-1-71)	1-29-70
BR-1981 R & F Press P. N. DEC 1 1970	10-25-70 11-2-70 11-2-70	Renewal of License (MAIN & AUXILIARY) AMENDED 12-17-70 re: station policies & procedures Atty: Robert B. Jacobi AMENDED 12-28-70 Re: engineering data AMENDED 2-1-71 re: programming AMENDED 9-9-71 re: skelton proof of perf. AMENDED 5-19-72 re: employment policy	GRANTED	9-22-72

DM-9-20-72 (main)
LICENSEE NOW REPRESENTED BY SMITH & PEPPER PER LETTER RECEIVED 9-9-71
302-9-25-72 (main)

AMENDED 5-19-72 re: employment policy (OVER)
W.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

BR-1981 SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 5-3-72 as
amendment to pending renewal application (Mdn & Aux)
(Pub. Notice 5-3-72)

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1380kc

#15

Call
Letters W.A.M.S.

Name ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.
Wilmington, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-8354 R & F DM AMENDED PRESS JUN 28 1973	7-19-72 7-25-72 9-20-72 7060 73 (aux. Section II)	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	6-19-73
BR-1981 R & F P. N. Rec'd Press APR 29 1975	3-18-75 3-27-75 3-27-75	Renewal of License . (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper)	GRANTED	7-23-75
BR-1981 R & F PRESS APR 27 1978	3-15-78 3-31-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	7-12-78

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W A M S

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Name: ROLLINS BROADCASTING OF DELAWARE, INC.

Station Location: Wilmington, Delaware

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR810331UE PRESS MAY 14 1981 PN filed		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty Arthur V. Weinberg	GRANTED 7-7-81

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 12th 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.

