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**REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE**

**Cat. No. 4550L**

Patent No. 1398199

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed December 19, 1951.....

Call letters W.H.J.C.....

Location: Matewan, West Virginia

THREE STATES BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 9-23-53 EFF: 10-13-53)

x FRED A. STAPLES, FRED L. MORNINGSTAR, JOSEPH R. FICKERING AND MRS. DONNA

Name of licensee BJORK ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ d/b as THREE STATES BROADCASTING COMPANYTransmitter location About 1/2 mi. SW of Matewan, West Virginia, Pike County, Ky. (MP 3-29-51) Lic.  
12-19-51Main studio location About 1/2 mi. SW of Matewan, West Va., Pike County, Ky. (MP 3-29-51) Lic.  
12-19-51



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period		
					From	To	
BP-7702	12-13-50	1360	1kw	Daytime			
C.P. for a new std. B/C station subj. filing MP for approval ant. & site - Ltr. 12-20-50							
BP-7702	3-29-51	1360	1kw	Day	5-29	11-29-51	
BMP-5500	Mod. of CP(7702) for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio locations. (CONDL. CLAUSE)						
BL-4605	12-19-51	1360	1kw	Day	12-19	10-1-54	
(CONDL. CLAUSE)							
Lic. cover CP 7702 as mod., for a new standard broadcast station							
BAL-1593	9-23-53	Vol. assignment of license to Three States Broadcasting Company					
EFF:	10-13-53						
BR-2678	9-15-54	1360	1kw	Day	10-1	10-1-57	
BR-2678	9-11-57	Renewal of license				10-1	10-1-60
BR-2678	9-14-60	Renewal of License				<del>10-1</del>	10-1-63
BR-2678	9-24-63	Renewal of License				10-1	10-1-66
BTC-4808	8-4-65	Voluntary transfer of negative control of lic. corp. from Joseph R. Pickering (25%) & Marvin J. Peterson (25%) to George D. Warren Jr., (25%), Otto Goertsen (12%) and Mrs. Florence Morningstar (37%)					
EFF:	11-12-65						
BZ-6333	5-26-67	1360	1kw	Day	5-26	10-1-69	
BR-2678							
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w				
BR-2678(S)	9-25-69	Renewal of License & NDEA				10-1-72	
EBSA	5-25-72						
Comtel	11-1-72	Chg. marking to para. 1 only.					
BR-2678(L)	9-30-76	Renewal of License				10-1-78	
BTC-8271	5/31/77	Vol. TC EFF: 6/6/77					
BR-2678(S)	1/30/77	Renewal of license				10/1/81	

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name Fred A. Staples, Fred L. Morningstar, Joseph R. Pickering, Call W H J C  
 and Mrs. Donna Bjork, ~~Applicant~~ d/b as Three States Letters None  
 Broadcasting Company  
 (P.O. - c/o Fred L. Morningstar, Merrimac, West Virginia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-7702	5-27-50	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1360kc Power - 1kw Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - Between 1/2 and 3/4 miles northwest of Matewan, West Virginia Studio location - Same  Frank Stollenwerck, Atty. Ralph D. Epperson, Mt. Airy, North Carolina	GRANTED	12-13-50
Rec'd	6-7-50		subj. filing MF for approval ant. & T site	
Filed	6-7-50		Ltr. - 12-20-50 Issued with MT 5500	



Transmitter Gates BC-1F

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Name FRED A. STAPLES, FRED L. MORNINGSTAR, JOSEPH R. PICKERING AND Letters

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Name MRS. DONNA BJORK, ~~Partnership~~ d/b as THREE STATES  
BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-5500 Rec'd Filed	3-5-51 3-6-51 3-6-51	Modification of construction permit (BP-7702, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio location as About $\frac{1}{2}$ mile Southwest of Matewan, West Virginia.  Frank Stollenwerck, Atty.	GRANTED re blanketing clause	3-29-51
BP-5736 Rec'd Filed	11-3-51 11-5-51 11-5-51	Modification of construction permit (BP-7702, as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 11-29-51 to _____. Frank Stollenwerck, Atty.	dismissed 12-4-51 as unnecessary. BL-4605 submitted & program tests authorized prior to expiration of CP	



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FRED A. STAPLES, FRED L. MORNINGSTAR, JOSEPH R. PICKERING, Call  
 AND MRS. DONNA BJORK, d/b as THREE STATES BROADCASTING COMPANY, Letters

W H J C

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-4605 Rec'd Filed	11-12-51 11-15-51 11-15-51	License to cover construction permit (BP-7702, as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.  Frank Stollenwerck, atty.	GRANTED Cond'l re blanketing	12-19-51
BAL-1593 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	4-4-53 4-6-53 7-14-53 7-27-53 7-27-53	Voluntary assignment of license to Three States Broadcasting Company.  Frank Stollenwerck, Atty.	<del>GRANTED</del> <del>Filed on wrong copy</del> GRANTED EFF:	<del>PDC</del>  9-23-53 10-13-53
BR-2678 Rec'd Filed	6-24-54 6-28-54 6-28-54	RENEWAL OF LICENSE, Filed by Frank Stollenwerck, atty.	GRANTED	9-15-54

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W H J CName THREE STATES BROADCASTING COMPANY  
MATEJAN, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2678 Rec'd Filed	7-5-57 7-12-57 7-12-57	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	9-11-57
BR-2678 Rec'd Filed	6-13-60 6-16-60 6-16-60	Renewal of license Atty: Frank Stollenwerck	GRANTED	9-14-60
BR-2678 Rec'd Filed	7-1-63 7-16-63 7-16-63	Renewal of license Frank Stollenwerck, Atty.	GRANTED	9-24-63
STC-4808 R & F	4-22-65 4-30-65	Voluntary transfer of negative control of Lic. corp. from Joseph R. Pickering (25%) and Marvin J. Peterson (25%) to George D. Warren, Jr. (25%) Otto Goertsen (12½%) and Paul King (12½%)	GRANTED EFF:	8-4-65 11-12-65
AMENDED R & F	6-28-65 7-6-65	Atty. - Frank Stollenwerck AMENDED to make changes in officers, stockholders & stockholdings - (reflect Mrs. Florance Morningstar acquiring 37½%) c.		



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Letters WHJC

Name THREE STATES BROADCASTING COMPANY  
Matewan, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2678 R & F	7-29-66 8-4-66	Renewal of license Atty- Frank Stollenwerck	GRANTED	5-26-67
EB-6333 R & F	11-29-66 12-19-66	Auth. determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty: Frank Stollenwerck Engr: Wm. Ford, Charleston, W.Va.	GRANTED ISSUED WITH RENEWAL	5-26-67
RE: PSA	MOTION FOR STAY BY JUPITER BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (WSAI) BY HARRY PLOTKIN. PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION BY JUPITER BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (WSAI) FILED 11-24-67 BY HARRY PLOTKIN.		FILED	11-24-67
Petition for Reconsideration DENIED and Motion for Stay DISMISSED AS MOOT by Commission Memorandum Opinion and Order adopted 12-20-67.				
EB-2678 R & F #527618 \$75	7/3/69 7/9/69 7/9/69	Renewal of License  Atty: Leo Resnick	GRANTED	9-25-69

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WHJC

Name THREE STATES BROADCASTING COMPANY  
Matewan, west virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
2-18-70	by letter	apparent forfeiture liability for \$25.		
By letter adopted 8-18-71 the Commission notified station WHJC of apparent liability of \$2000.00 forfeiture for violation of the rules.				
The Commission by letter of 4-26-72 ordered station WHJC to pay forfeiture of \$2,000 for rule violations.				
BR-2678	6-22-72	Renewal of License		
R & P	6-30-72			
PN	7-7-72	Atty: Cohen and Berfield	Granted	9-30-76
PRESS		AMENDED 1-22-73 re: commercial policy		
AUG 1 372				
The Commission by Mem. Opinion & Order adopted 10-5-72 denied mitigation or remission of \$2,000				
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 5-29-75 as an amendment to pending renewal. PN 5-29-75				
AMENDED 9-11-75 re: commercial matter, EEO & prog.				
JUL 8 1975				
F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. (over)				



BR-2678 AMENDED 12-29-75 re: EEO

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Matewan, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC -8271 R & F (Form 315) PN filed	1-27-77 2-1-77 MAR 7 1977 3/7/77	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Florence Morningstar, George D. Warren, Jr. Otto Goerstsen et al (original stockholders) to George D. Warren, Jr., Clifton Branham and Gladys Yates  Atty - Cohen & Berfield AMENDED 5-27-77 re comm survey <u>Certification re above filed 6-1-77</u>	GRANTED EFF:	5/31/77 6/6/77
BR-2678 R& F FRESS	5-16-78 5-26-78 JUN 16 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Morton L. Berfield, Atty.	Granted	1/30/79



## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W H J C

Name: Three States Broadcasting Company

Station Location: Matewan, West Virginia

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR-810526UI Press: JUL 23 1931		Renewal of License Atty: Clifton Branham	

## 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 a few sets of microfiche 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.

