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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 4-27-49

Call letters WIPR

Location: Santurce, Puerto Rico
San Juan,

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF PUERTO RICO (AL 11-21-49; EFF: 1-28-50)

Name of licensee x PUERTO RICO COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY

Palmas, Puerto Rico (CP 12-29-49)

x RR-Kilometer 27, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico (MP 4-18-49) (Lic. 4-27-49)
Transmitter location x South of San Juan, Puerto Rico. (CP 4-30-47)00919 Hostos Avenue and Tous Soto Street, San Juan, Puerto Rico. (Ltr. 8-6-57 Eff: 12-17-57)
x Munoz Rivera Park, San Juan, Puerto Rico (Let. 7-1-52)~~Stop 20, 1317 Ponce de Leon Ave., Santurce, Puerto Rico (MP 4-18-49) (Lic. 4-27-49)~~
x Stop 20, Ponce de Leon Avenue, Santurce, P.R. (MP-12-30-47)

Main studio location x University of Puerto Rico, Municipality of Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

~~(CP 4-30-47)~~

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From	To
B-P-4397	4-30-47	940	10kw-DA	U	6-30	12-30-47
	CP for a new station. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)					
BMP-3044	10-23-47	940	10kw-DA	U	6-30	12-30-47
	Mod. CP (4397) to make changes in DA and change T site. (COND TIONAL CLAUSE)					
BMP-2948	12-30-47	940	10kw-DA	U	6-30	12-30-47
	Mod. CP (4397) for a change in studio site. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)					
BMP-3483	12-30-47	940	10kw-DA	U	6-30	6-30-48
	Mod. CP (4397 as mod.) for ext. of completion date. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)					
BMP-3923	6-7-48				6-30	12-30-48
	Mod. CP (4397 as mod) for ext. of completion date. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BMP-4340	12-9-48				6-30	2-28-49
	Mod. CP (4397 as mod) for ext. of completion date. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BMP-4481	4-18-49	940	10kw-DA	U	6-30	2-28-49
	Mod. CP (4397 as mod) to change type of T, to correct geographical coordinates & specify the desc of the T site. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BL-3549	4-27-49	940	10kw-DA	U	4-27	11-1-49
	Lic. to cover CP (4397 as mod) for a new standard broadcast station.					
BS-2257	10-28-49	Extension of license			11-1	3-1-50
BAL-931	11-21-49	Vol. assignment of license from Puerto Rico Communications Authority to Department of Education of Puerto Rico.				
EFF:	1-28-50					
BP-7346	12-29-49	940	10kw-DA	Un	2-28	8-29-50
	CP to change T site. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BS-2257	2-28-50	Extension of license			3-1	6-1-50
Tele.	3-14-50	Auth. remain silent not to exceed ten days accord. 3.71 Rules.				
BR-2257	5-31-50	940	10kw-DA	U	5-31-50	11-1-52
BMP-5298	8-30-50	940	10kw-DA	U	2-28	11-29-50
(Cond.)	Mod. CP (BP-7346) for ext. completion date.					
BP-7967	2-9-51	940	10kw-DA	U	By 4-9-51	
***	C.P. to replace expired permit (7346, as mod.) (Conds)					
	10-9-51					

***CP forfeited in accord. with Sec. 1.314a Ltr. 12-6-50.

***CP forfeited in accord. Sec. 1.314a Ltr. 12-29-51

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Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time	Period	
				Div.	From	To
BP-8370	3-12-52	940	10kw* *DA-1 (COND'L CLAUSE)	U	5-12	11-12-52
CP to replace expired CP 7967 to chg. T location						
Telegram	4-25-52	Opr. from 8am to 6pm from temporary studio			4-25	5-24-52
Telegram	5-23-52	Ext. of above			5-25	6-23-52
BR-2257	10-15-52	940kc	10kw DA-1	U, CoCl.	11-1	2-1-55
BL-4726	7-31-52	940	10kw	U	7-31-52	11-1-52
Lic. to cover CP (BP-8370) which authorized change in trans. location. (Cond'l Clause)						
BR-2257	1-12-55	940	10kw DA-1	U	2-1	2-1-58
BML-1636 (1)	8-31-55	Mod. of license to change station location to San Juan, Puerto Rico				
BP-11495 (Aux.)	9-10-57	940kc	1kw-DA-1	AUX	11-10-57	5-10-58
Construction permit to install new transmitter as auxiliary transmitter to be located at present location of main transmitter, and change studio location.						
BR-2257	1-17-58	940kc	10kw-DA-1	U	2-1	2-1-61
BL-7112	7-14-58	940kc	1kw-DA-1	Aux.	7-14	2-1-61
License to cover CP (BP-11,495) which authorized installation of a new transmitter (specify trans. type as RCA BTA-11X) as an auxiliary transmitter to be located at present location of main trans. and to be operated on 940kc, 1kw DA-1, for aux. purposes only and change studio location.						
BR-2257	1-18-61	Renewal of License			2-1	2-1-64
	1-29-64	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.				
BR-2257	5-8-64	940kc	10kw DA-1	Unl	5-8	2-1-67
			1kw DA-1	Aux.	5-8	2-1-67
BS-2257	6-17-66	940kc	10kw-DA-1	U	6-17	2-1-67
Mod. of lic to make changes in monitor Points (Memo)						
BR-2257	1-13-67	940kc	1kw-DA-1	Aux.	2-1	2-1-70
Renewal of License (Main)						

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Station location SAN JUAN

Name of licensee DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF PUERTO RICO

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To.
Ltr. 12-12-67, 73.48(a)(5) installed & in oper.	rec'd 12-14-67 Rules that a Collins 820F-1 trans. is now as Main trans. (Eff:12-11-67)				notification per Sect. is now -----
Ltr. -----	10-15-69	Aux. Trans: RQA	ETA-IRB		
BR-2257(L)	3-29-71	Renewal of Main & Aux. &			NDEA 2-1-73
BZ-7773(L)	3-23-72	DIRECT MEASUREMENT (MAIN & AUX.)			
EBSA -----	5-25-72				
BR-2257(L)	1-31-73	RENEWAL MAIN & AUX.			2-1-76
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COMTEL	8-4-80	AUTH & TERMS COMTEL 4-16-79			EXT. THRU 10-15-80.
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COMTEL	10-28-80	AUTH & TERMS COMTEL 4-16-79			EXT. THRU 1-15-81.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

#1

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x NEW
Name PUERTO RICO COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY(P.O. Salvador Brau between San Jose & Cristo Sts., San Juan, Puerto Rico)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B-P-4397	12-10-45	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 940 kc Power: 10kw-DA Hours of Operation: Unlimited time. Trans. Location: Toa-Baja, Puerto Rico, S. of San Juan Studio Location: University of Puerto Rico, Municipality of Rio Piedras, Puerto, Rico. (Filed by James E. Curry, Atty.)	DOCKET	7342
Rec'd	12-12-45		Removed from Hearing and	
Filed	1-9-46		Granted 4-30-47. re blanketing clause	
Amended	4-12-46	RE: To change transmitter location from Toa Baja, Puerto Rico to South of San Juan, P.R. and changes in DA. (Filed by Chas. MacPhee Wright, Atty; Frank H. McIntosh, Engr.)		
Rec'd	4-12-46			
Filed	5-9-46			
AMENDED	12-3-46	AMENDED re stockholders		
Rec'd	12-11-46			
Filed	12-11-46			

CARD No. 2

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Letters NEWName PUERTO RICO COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-4397 (cont. from Card #1)				
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	2-19-47 3-6-47 3-6-47	AMENDED to change DA pattern		
BMP-2948 Rec'd Filed	7-1-47 7-7-47 7-7-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-4397, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change studio location <u>from</u> University of Puerto Rico, Municipality of Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico <u>TO Stop 22, San Juan, P. R.</u>	GRANTED	12-30-47
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	12-1-47 12-3-47 12-3-47	AMENDED to change studio location from Stop 22, San Juan, P. R. to Stop 20, Ponce de Leon Avenue Santurce, Puerto Rico.	subject to condition that permit ee agrees to be responsible for correcting cross-modulation due to interaction between the applicant's station and WIFS, Santurce, P.R.	

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Letters WIPRName PUERTO RICO COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3044	8-11-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-4397) ^{MS mod.} which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to make changes in directional antenna and change transmitter location (geographic coordinates only).	GRANTED	10-23-47
Rec'd	8-12-47		subject to the condition that the permittee agrees to be responsible for correcting cross-modulation due to interaction between the applicant's station and Station WIBS, Santurce, Puerto Rico.	
Filed	8-12-47	(James R. Croy, Engr.)		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3483 Rec'd Filed	12-18-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-4397, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from: 12-30-47 to: 6-30-48 <i>Topographic map 1-16-48 to Eng. 7-17-48</i>	GRANTED subject to condition that permittee agrees to be responsible for correcting cross-modulation due to interaction between the applicant's station and Station WIBS, San-turce, P.R.	12-30-47
	12-22-47			
	12-22-47			
BMP-3923 Rec'd Filed	5-25-48	Mod. of C.P. (BP-4397, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from: 6-30-48 to: 12-30-48.	GRANTED same cond. as above	6-7-48
	5-27-48			
	5-27-48			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-4340 Rec'd Filed	11-23-48 11-26-48 11-26-48	Mod. of C.P. (BP-4397, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from: 12-30-48 to: 2-28-49.	GRANTED Same cond. as BMP-3483	12-9-48
BL-3549 Rec'd Filed	1-21-49 1-24-49 1-24-49	License to cover C. P. (BP-4397, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. Cross mod. due to interaction between the applicant station and WIBS, Santurce, P. R.	GRANTED subj. to cond. that licensee agrees to be responsible for correcting	4-27-49
BMP-4481 Rec'd Filed	2-14-49 2-21-49 2-21-49	Mod. of C.P. (BP-4397, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Westinghouse 10-HV-1) to correct geographical coordinates and specify the description of the transmitter location as RR - Kilometer 27, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico.	GRANTED subj. to cond. that the permittee agrees to be responsible for correcting cross mod. due to interaction between the applicant sta. and WIBS, Santurce, P.R.	4-18-49

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-7346	9-5-49	Construction permit to change transmitter location from RR- Kilometer 27, Toa Baja, Puerto Rico to Palmas, Puerto Rico. James E. Curry, Atty. James R. Croy, Engr.	GRANTED	12-29-49
Rec'd	9-7-49		(1) re blanketing cl.	
Filed	9-7-49		(2) re installation of properly designed phase monitor (3) That applicant assume responsibility for the installation & adjustment of suitable filter circuits, or other equip. as may be necessary to minimize spurious radiation, as well as to prevent cross modulation due to the existence of excessive radiation to and from other nearby stations	

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF PUERTO RICO (AL 11-21-49)

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-931 Rec'd Filed	9-19-49 9-27-49 9-27-49	Voluntary assignment of license from Puerto Rico Communications Authority to Department of Education of Puerto Rico. Reed Miller, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-21-49 1-28-50
BR-2257 Rec'd Submitted new appli. Rec'd	10-13-49 10-17-49 2-21-50 2-28-50	Renewal of license (Sec. IV-4-1088) Renewal of license Reed Miller, Atty.	Ret'd GRANTED	10-18-49 5-31-50

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-5298	7-31-50	Modification of construction permit (BP-7346)	GRANTED	8-30-50
Rec'd	8-2-50	which authorized change in transmitter	(1) re blanketing cl.	
Filed	8-2-50	location) for extension of completion date from 8-29-50 to 11- - 50. Reed Miller, Atty.	(2) re installation of properly designed phase monitor (B) That applicant assume responsibility for installation & adjustment of suitable filter cir- cuits, or other equip. as may be necessary to mini- mize spurious radiation, as well as to prevent cross modulation due to the existence of exces- sive radiation to and from other nearby stations	
			C.P. forfeited in accord with Sect. 1.314(a).	
			Ltr. 12-6-50	

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
Rec'd	12-20-50 12-22-50	Modification of construction permit (EP-7346, as modified, which authorized change in transmitter location) for extension of completion date from 11-29-50 to 2-28-51.	RETURNED CP Forfeited	12-29-50
EP-7967 Rec'd Filed	1-12-51 1-15-51 1-15-51	Construction permit to replace expired permit (EP-7346, as modified) which authorized change in transmitter location. (Filed in the name of Puerto Rico Communications Authority)	GRANTED re blanketing; re phase monitor installed; re permittee assume responsibility for installation nec. equip. re radiation.	2-9-51
EP-8370 Rec'd Filed	1-9-52 1-15-52 1-15-52	Construction permit to replace expired permit (EP-7346, as mod., and reinstated) which auth. change in transmitter location.	GRANTED Cond'l re blanketing; phase monitor; and installation necessary equip. to minimize radiation	3-12-52

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-4726 Rec'd Filed	4-8-52 4-11-52 4-11-52	License to cover construction permit (BP-8370) which authorized change in transmitter location. Reed Miller, atty.	GRANTED Cond. 1	7-31-52 & 3 of CP
BR-2257 Rec'd Filed	7-30-52 8-4-52 8-4-52	Renewal of license	GRANTED	10-15-52
BR-2257 Rec'd Filed	10-26-54 11-1-54 11-1-54	Renewal of License Filed by Reed Miller, Atty.	GRANTED	1-12-55
BML-1636 Rec'd Filed	8-2-55 8-8-55 8-8-55	Modification of license to change station location from Santurce, Puerto Rico to San Juan, Puerto Rico. Reed Miller, Atty. A. Earl Cullum, Jr., Engr.	GRANTED	8-31-55

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-11,495 Rec'd Filed	8-9-57 8-16-57 8-15-57	Construction Permit to install a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1M) as an Aux., transmitter to be located at present location of main transmitter and to be operated on 940kc, power of 1kw, for auxiliary purposes only, and change studio location to Hostos Avenue and Tous Soto Street, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Atty's: Arnold, Fortas & Porter.	GRANTED	9-10-57
BR-2257 Rec'd Filed	10-30-57 11-4-57 11-4-57	Renewal of License Reed Miller, Attorney	GRANTED	1-17-58
BL-7112 Rec'd Filed	5-9-58 5-14-58 5-14-58	License to cover c.p. (BP-11,495 which auth. installation of a new trans. (specify type as RCA BTA-1MX) as an auxiliary trans. to be located at present location of main trans. to be operated on 940kc, 1kw, for auxiliary purposes only; and change studio location	GRANTED	7-14-58

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San Juan, Puerto Rico

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2257	11-14-60 (m) 11-7-60 (a)	Renewal of License (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	1-18-61
Rec'd Filed	11-15-60 11-15-60	Reed Miller, Atty.		
BR-2257	11-23-63	Renewal of license---(Main & Aux.)	GRANTED	5-8-64
Rec'd Filed	11-29-63 11-29-63	Atty. Reed Miller		
BR-2257 R & F (Form 342)	10-24-66 11-3-66	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty- Reed Miller (Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	1-13-67
BR-2257 R & F PN PRESS	10-24-69 11-3-69 10-31-69 DEC 5 1969	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	3-29-71

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San Juan, Puerto Rico

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-7773 R & F DM PRESS Amended " <i>Resume</i> <i>DM-79-72</i>	2-23-71 2-24-71 3-17-71 MAR 25 1971 6-2-71 2-28-72	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: John G. DeGooyer (Hamel, Morgan, Park & Saunders) Engr. data Partial proof of perf.	GRANTED	3-23-72
BR-2257 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	10-27-72 11-1-72 " NOV 27 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) John G. DeGooyer, Atty. AMENDED 12-14-72 re: Techn. information <u><i>Ltr. 9-24-73 Steptoe & Johnson, Attys.</i></u>	GRANTED	1-31-73
BR-2257 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	9-23-75 9-30-75 10-3-75 OCT 8 1975 OCT 20 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Herbert E. Forrest, Atty. SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 9-25-78 as an amendment to Pending renewal application (BR780925UC)		<i>780925UC</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 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 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.

