

WPTX



**REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE**

**Cat. No. 4550L**

**Patent No. 1396199**

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 4-20-53Call letters W.P.T.X.Station Location: Lexington Park, Md.

KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL 11-16-60; EFF: 12-1-60)

x WPTX, INC. (AL 7-22-59 Eff: 8-3-59)

Name of licensee X PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

(BL 10-15-71) (BP 2-7-68)

St. Andrews Church Rd. at intersec. with Indian Bridge Rd., near Lexington Park, Md./

Transmitter location X Approx. 2.5 miles SW of Patuxent Naval Air Test Center Main Gate, on Maryland Highway 246, Lexington Park, Maryland. (CP-10-15-52)(L 4-20-53)

Same as transmitter (BP 2-7-68)

X Lexington Park Hotel, Lexington Park, Maryland (BPC-6-29-59)

SAME AS TRANSMITTER (Let. 6-8-55; EFF. 6-6-55) (L 4-20-53) (MP 1-9-53)

x Dougherty Building, Grant Mills Road, Highway 246, Lexington Park, Md./

x Approx. 2.5 miles SW of Patuxent Naval Air Test Center Main Gate, on

Main studio location Maryland Highway 246, Lexington Park, Maryland (CP-10-15-52)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appi. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-8200	10-15-52	1570	1kw	Day	12-15-52 6-15-53
	CP for new standard broadcast station (Clause)				
BMP-6038	11-28-52	1570	1kw	Day	1-28-53 7-28-53
	Mod. of CP (BP-8200) to change tower location. Cond'l Clause)				
BP-6097	1-9-53	1570	1kw	Day	3-9-53 9-9-53
	Mod. of CP (BP-8200, as mod.) to change studio location and change type trans. (Cond'l Clause)				
BL-4916	4-20-53	1570	1kw	Day	4-20 10-1-54
	Lic. cover CP (BP-8200, as mod.) for new station (COND'L)				
BRC-169	9-11-53	Mod. of License to operate transmitter by (1) R. C. from Dougherty Bldg., Lexington Park, Md.			
BP-8924	2-10-54	920	500w	Daytime	4-10 10-10-54
	CP change frequency, power, antenna (CONDITIONAL)				
BL-5329	6-25-54	920kc	500w	Day	6-25-54 10-1-54
	Lic. cover CP(8924) to change freq, power, antenna				
BTC-1771	8-18-54	Vol. trans. of control to W. K. Ulerich			
EFF:	9-1-54	one 5 others.			
R-2804	9-8-54	Renewal of license			10-1 10-1-57
BTC-2111	12-19-55	Vol. acquisition of positive control of licensee corp., by William J. Thomas thru the purchase of stock from Julia Joplin, William K. Ulerich & L. F. Beard.			
EFF:	2-1-56				
BTC-2423	3-6-57	Vol. transfer of control from William J. Thomas, Stanley Graziadio, Joseph Connolly & Joe Milsop to James S. Beattie and Arthur A. Snowberger.			
EFF:	4-12-57				
BTC-2545	7-19-57	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by James S. Beattie, through purchase of stock from Arthur A. Snowberger (48.3%)			
EFF:	8-19-57				
TELEGRAM	9-30-57	Action on renewal deferred, continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal application.			
BR-2804	12-11-57	920 kc	500w	Day to	10-1-60



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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WPTX

Station location Lexington Park, Maryland

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BRC-1485 (1)	6-29-59	Mod. of license to change			Studio location from Approx. 2.5 mi. SW of Patuxent Naval Air Test Center, Main Gate, on Maryland Hwy. 246, Lexington Park, Md. TO Lexington Park Hotel, Lexington Park Maryland and operate transmitter by Remote Control from Studio location
BAL-3522 EFF:	7-22-59 8-3-59	Voluntary assignment of license to			WPTX, INC.
BR-2804	11-16-60	920kc.	500w	Day	11-16 10-1-61
BAL-4035 EFF:	11-16-60 12-1-60	Voluntary assignment of license to			Key Broadcasting Corporation
	9-28-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BZ-4678	7-20-62	920kc	500w	Day	7-20 10-1-63
		Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
	10-30-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BR-2804	11-15-63	Renewal of license			11-15 10-1-66
BP-16553	5-13-65	920kc	250w	Aux.	7-13 1-13-66
		CP to install auxiliary transmitter (GATES BCA-250) to be operated on 920kc, 250w, at Main Trans. Location with remote control operation from Main Studio Location, for auxiliary purposes only.			
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BMP-11,684 (1)	2-7-66	Mod. of CP(BP-16,553) for			extension of completion date to 3-15-66
BMP-11,738 (2)	4-4-66	Mod. of CP(BP-16,553 as mod.) for			ext. of completion date to 5-15-66
BR-2804	3-16-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			3-16 10-1-69
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BP-17696	2-7-68	920kc	1kw, 5kw	DA-2 U	4-7 10-7-68
		CP to change hours of oper., using power of 1kw, 5kw-LS, install DA-2, change ant.-trans. & studio log. and delete RC, install new trans. (Cond'l).			



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Date first licensed .....

Call letters WPTX

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
BP-18350	10-31-68	920kc	1kw, 5kw	DA-2 U	6-30-69
	CP to replace expired CP (BP-17,696).				
EMP-12,753	7-10-69	MP(BP-18,350)		ext. time	12-30-69
(1) Tele-ran	1-19-70	PSA Cancelled.			
BR-2804(L)	3-29-71	Renewal			10-1-72
BL-12,637(L)	10-15-71	Lic.(BP-18,350)	for changes		10-1-72
	920kc	1kw-5kw	DA-2 U		
EBSA	5-22-72				
BR-2804(L)	10-27-72	RENEWAL			10-1-75
Comlet	6-26-74	Ant. monitor Potomac Inst. AM-19(204)			
BTC-7803	10/8/75	Vol TC EFF: 10/8/75			
BR-2804					
BZ-9183(L)	9-23-76	Renewal of License and Modification			10-1-78
BZ-9434(L)	6-27-78	Direct Measurement			10-1-78
BR-2804(S)	11-21-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-81
COMTEL	5-9-80	AU. GR. OPERATE WITHOUT FIELD INTENSITY METER DUE TO NEEDED REPAIRS & CALIBRATION. INDICATE IN LOG THAT METER IS BEING CALIBRATED. AU. EXPIRES 6-15-80.			



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W P T X  
Letters New

Name PATUXENT RADIO, INC.  
( P.O. 7124 Hampden Lane, Bethesda, Maryland Daugherty Bldg., Lexington Park, Md.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action		
			Nature	Date	
BP-8200	7-19-51	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: <del>1370kc</del> 1570kc Power: 1kw Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: <del>To be determined</del> Lexington Park, Md. Studio Location: <del>To be determined</del> Lexington Park, Md.  John H. Mullaney, Engr.	GRANTED	10-15-52	
Rec'd	7-23-51				Blanketing Clause
Filed	7-23-51				
AMENDED	8-1-52	AMENDED to change frequency from 1370kc to 1570kc, and to change transmitter and studio locations from "to be determined", Lexington Park, Maryland, to "Approx. 2.5 miles SW of Patuxent Naval Air Test Center Main Gate on Maryland Highway #246, Lexington Park, Maryland, respectively.			
Rec'd	8-1-52	John H. Mullaney, Engr.			
Filed	8-1-52				

See card #2 for amendment.



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Call Letters W P T X  
X NewName PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-8200 Cont'd. AMENDED Rec'd Filed	8-6-52 8-11-52 8-11-52	AMENDED to change officers and stockholders.		
BMP-6038 Rec'd Filed	10-22-52 10-27-52 10-27-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-8200 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change tower location, same site.  John H. Mullaney, Engr.	GRANTED Blanketing Clause	11-28-52



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W P T XName PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-6097 Rec'd Filed	1-5-53 1-5-53 1-5-53	Modification of construction permit (BP-8200, as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change studio location from approx. 2.5 miles SW of Patuxent Naval Air Test Center Main Gate On Maryland Hwy. 246, Lexington Park, Md. to Dougherty Bldg., Great Mills Rd., Lexington Park, Md. and change type transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000).	GRANTED Blanketing Clause	1-9-53
BL-4916 Rec'd Filed	2-2-53 2-2-53 2-2-53	License to cover construction permit (BP-8200, as mod.,) which auth. a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED re blanketing	4-20-53
BRC-169 Rec'd Filed	9-3-53 9-4-53 9-4-53	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from Dougherty Building, Lexington Park, Maryland.  William R. Kearney, Atty.	GRANTED	9-11-53



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Letters W P T XName PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-8924 Rec'd Filed	6-29-53 6-29-53 6-29-53	Construction permit to change frequency from 1570kc to 920kc; change power from 1kw to 500w and make changes in the antenna system.  Harry J. Daly, Atty. John H. Mullaney, Engr.	GRANTED conditional re T comply with 3.46	2-10-54
BL-5329 Rec'd Filed	5-25-54 5-26-54 5-26-54	License to cover construction permit (BP-8924) which auth. change freq., change power and make changes in antenna system.  Harry J. Daly, Atty.	GRANTED	6-25-54
BR-2804 Rec'd Filed	6-29-54 7-2-54 7-2-54	Renewal of License Filed by Harry J. Daly, Atty.	GRANTED	9-8-54



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Letters W P T XName PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-1771 Rec'd Filed	7-2-54 7-15-54 7-15-54	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Owen J. McReynolds and 3 others to W. K. Ulerich and 5 others (65.6%).  Harry Daly, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: 9-1-54	8-18-54
BTC-2111 Rec'd Filed	11-29-55 11-29-55 11-29-55	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by William J. Thomas thru the purchase of stock from Julia Joplin, William K. Ulerich, and L. F. Beard.  Harry Daly, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-19-55 2-1-56
BTC-2423 Rec'd Filed	2-4-57 2-6-57 2-6-57	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from William J. Thomas, Stanley Graziadio, Joseph Connolly and Joe Milsop to James S. Beattie and Arthur A. Snowberger. (2496 shares)  Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd, Attys. (Richard Hildreth) WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED EFF:	3-6-57 4-12-57



AUG. 1955

Call  
Letters WPTXName PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-2545 Rec'd Filed	7-5-57 7-5-57 7-5-57	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by James S. Beattie, through the purchase of stock from Arthur A. Snowberger (48.3%)  Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd, Attys. (Richard Hildreth)	GRANTED EFF:	7-19-57 8-19-57
BR-2804 Rec'd Filed	7-24-57 7-25-57 7-25-57	Renewal of license.  Richard Hildreth, Atty.	GRANTED	12-11-57
BAL-3522 Rec'd. Filed	6-22-59 6-22-59 6-22-59	Voluntary assignment of license to WPTX, Inc.  Richard Hildreth, Atty. for Assignor William Koplovitz, Atty. for Assignee	GRANTED EFF:	7-22-59 8-3-59



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Letters W P T XName PATUXENT RADIO, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-1485 Rec'd Filed	6-24-59 6-25-59 6-25-59	Modification of license to change Studio location from Apprx. 2.5 mi. SW of Patuxent Naval Air Test Center, Main Gate, on Maryland Hwy. 246, Lexington Park, Maryland TO Lexington Park Hotel, Lexington Park, Maryland and operate Transmitter by Remote Control from Studio location.  Richard Hildreth, Atty.	GRANTED	6-29-59
BR-2804 Rec'd Filed	7-5-60 7-5-60 7-5-60	Renewal of license Atty: William C. Koplovitz	GRANTED	11-16-60
BAL-4035 Rec'd Filed	10-13-60 10-14-60 10-14-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Key Broadcasting Corporation.  William C. Koplovitz, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-16-60 12-1-60



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters

WPTX

KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Name

Lexington Park, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ*4678 R. & F.	4-30-62 5-1-62	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty- DEMPSEY & KOPLOVITZ	GRANTED	7-20-62
BR-2804 R & F	6-27-63 7-1-63	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-15-63
BP-16,553 R&F	4-21-65 4-26-65	Construction permit to install auxiliary transmitter (GATES BCA-250) to be operated on 920kc, 250w from Main Transmitter loc. with remote control opr. from Main Studio Loc., for auxiliary purposes only.  Atty: Lauren A. Colby	GRANTED	5-13-65

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W P T XName KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION  
LEXINGTON PARK, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-11,684 Rec'd Filed	12-30-65	Modification of CP(BP-16,553, which auth. install auxiliary trans to be operated on 920kc,250w from main transmitter location with RC operation from main studio location for auxiliary purposes only) for extension of completion date from 1-13-66 to 3-1-66.	GRANTED to	2-7-66
	1-7-66			3-15-66
	1-21-66			
BMP-11,738 R & F	3-7-66	Modification of CP(BP-16,553 as modified, which authorized install Auxiliary trans. at Main trans. location with remote control from Main studio location, for Auxiliary Purposes Only) for extension of completion date from 3-15-66 to 5-1-66.	GRANTED to	4-4-66
	3-9-66			5-15-66
BR-2804 R & F	6-10-66 6-13-66	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-16-67



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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

920kc

Call  
Letters W P T X

Name Key Broadcasting Corporation  
Lexington Park, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-17,696 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	11-22-66	CP to change hours of operation from Daytime	<del>RETURNED</del>	<del>3-2-67</del>
	11-22-66	to Unlimited using power of 1kw, 5kw-LS, installed	GRANTED	2-7-68
	3-22-67	DA-2, change ant-trans. and studio location to	Cond'l re: Any pre-sun-	rise oper. must conform
	3-27-67	St. Andrews Church Rd at intersec. with Indian	Bridge Rd., near Lexington Park, Maryland, delete RC	73.87 & 73.99 of the Rules.
	4-5-67	Atty: Lauren A. Colby install new trans Engr: Jules Cohen (Gates BC-5P-2S).		
EP-18,350 R. & F. #466671 \$30 OCT 24 1968	10-10-68	CP to replace expired permit BP-17,696 which	GRANTED	10-31-68
	10-17-68	auth. change from 920kc, 500w Day to 920kc,		
	10-17-68	1kw, 5kw-LS DA-2 U; chg TL & S loc, delete RC, and install new trans. (Gates BC-5P-2S). atty-Lauren A. Colby		
BMP-12,753 P. & F. #525010 \$30 JUL 1968	6-25-69	MP(BP-18,350, as reinstated) for extension of	GRANTED	7-10-69
	6-27-69	completion date to 12-30-69 (changes).		
	6-27-69	atty-Lauren A. Colby		



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WPTXName KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION  
Lexington Park, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2804 R & F \$524982 \$75. P.N. filed PRESS JUL 16 1969	6-25-69 6-26-69 6-26-69 6-26-69	Renewal of license Atty-Lauren A. Colby AMENDED 8-12-69 re: Programming & Engineering date	GRANTED	3-29-71
BL-12,637 R & F \$558024 \$30. ITA PRESS	11-18-69 11-19-69 11-19-69 7-22-70 AUG 4 1970	Lic.(BP-18,350) for changes. Transmitter: CSA, AM-50000. Atty: Colby & Tarrant Amendments on back	GRANTED	10-15-71
	9-24-70	Annual license fee paid \$25.00 #631991		
		PT-4-9-71 205-10-71 PTA-8-24-71		



7-14-69

Re: BR-2804, Atty called/re type Trans. also, Sect. II, Par. 3 not answered.

Re: BL-12,637, Amended:	12-10-69	re	supple	enrg.	data
"	12-24-69	"	"	"	"
"	4-17-70	"	"	"	"
"	4-28-70	"	"	"	"
"	6-16-70	"	"	"	"
"	7-30-71	"	"	"	"



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W P T X

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION  
LEXINGTON PARK, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2804 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	6-23-72 6-27-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Lauren A. Colby, Atty AMENDED 7-25-72 re: to correct power	GRANTED	10-27-72
<del>BR-2804</del> R & F PN Recd. PRESS	<del>5-29-75</del> 6-2-75 "	<del>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</del> L.A. Colby, Atty. AMENDED 6-11-75 re: program logs AMENDED 7-7-75 re: to reflect transfer of control	GRANTED	8-24-76 issued with BZ-9183
BTC-7803 R & F FEE PD \$200 #444324 CODE 047 (ALSO SEE WBMD & FM WKTK) 22 JUL 1975 PN filed PN filed	6-30-75 6-30-75	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from George E. Hull, George J. Roche, William R. Burrier, et al (original stockholders) to Emory R. Hull, George H. Hull, and John P. Hull, Personal Representatives of the Estate of George E. Hull, (Deceased); George J. Roche, S. Elmer Parks, et al Atty - Lauren A. Colby	GRANTED EFF: no fee	10/8/75 10/8/75



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920khz

Call  
Letters ~~W P T X~~ W P T X

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Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION  
Lexington Park, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-9183 R & F \$100#564471 DM PRESS JUL 29 1976	4-28-76 5-6-76 5-7-76 7-21-76	Direct Measurement  Atty: Lauren A. Colby	GRANTED issued with	9-23-76 RENEWAL
BZ-9434 R & F \$100#642762 PRESS DM JUN 17 1977	12-2-76 12-2-76 12-3-76 6-6-77	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	6-27-77
BR-2804 R & F PRESS JUN 9 1978	5-22-78 5-26-78 JUN 9 1978	Renewal of License Lauren A. Colby, Atty.	GRANTED	11-21-78



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## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W P T X

Name: KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Station Location: Lexington Park, MD

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR810601G9 PRESS AUG 10 1981		Renewal of License	GRANTED 10-22-8



## 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.

