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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W R B A 10-24-77

X W A K C (EFF: 8-12-77)

Date first licensed 1-2-63

Call letters X W I O K

(SEE CARD #2 FOR NAME)

X W A K C, INC. (BML 10-18-71)

Station location Normal, Illinois

X W I O K, INC. (VOL. AL 3-11-70 EFF: 4-1-70)

X McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC. (BAP 7-16-62 EFF: 9-22-62 per Form 323)  
BROADCASTING CO.

Name of licensee X ROBERT W. SUDBRINK & MARGARETA S. SUDBRINK d/b as McLEAN COUNTY /

Transmitter location 3.5 mi. N. of Downs, near Downs, Illinois (NIGHTTIME SITE) (MP-10,066)  
1.5 miles N. of Downs, Illinois (BP 11-27-61) (DAYTIME SITE)

61761  
Main studio location 1218 S. Main St., Normal, Ill. (BS 2-15-65) (Eff: 2-11-65)  
1.5 mi. N. of Downs, Illinois (BL-1-2-63)  
X To be determined, Normal, Illinois (BP 11-27-61)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-14401	1-27-61	1440kc	1kw-DA-	Day	1-27 7-27-62
CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1)					
BMP-10324	Mod. of CP (BP-14401 as mod. which auth a new				
BMP-10325 (1)	standard broadcast station to chg. type				
trans (Collins 20V-3) and ext. of time from					
7-27-62 to 10-1-62					
BMP-10310 (2)	6-28-62	Mod. of CP (BP-14,401) to make changes			
in the antenna system (top loading).					
BAP-597	7-16-62	Voluntary assignment of construction			
EFF:	9-22-62	permit to McLean County Broadcasting			
per Form 323 Co., Inc.					
BL-9611	1-2-63	1440kc	1kw DA-	Day	1-2 12-1-64
Lic. to cover CP (BP-14,401 as mod) which auth.					
a new standard b/c station & spec. studio at the					
trans. site.					
BR-4200	11-9-64	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-67
BMP-10066	11-18-64	1440kc	500w, 1kw-LS	U	1-18 7-18-65
(two site operation)	CP to change hours of operation to Unlimited				
with power of 500w-1kw LS and change from DA-D					
to DA-2 (Cond'1), new site for night operation					
BS-4200 (1)	2-15-65	Mod. of Lic. to chg. studio loc.			
(Eff: 2-11-65).					
BMP-10066 (1)	2-15-65	Mod. of CP (BMP-10066) to chg. studio			
loc. (Eff: 2-11-65).					
BMP-11,536 (2)	6-30-65	Mod. of CP (BMP-10,066) for extension			
of completion date to 1-18-66.					
BL-11,128 NIGHTTIME	1-26-66	1440kc	500w-DA-N	N	1-26 12-1-67
Lic to cover CP (BMP-10,066 as mod)					
which auth chg hrs of opt using 500w &					
change studio loc. trans GATES BC500T					
BL-11,128 DAYTIME OPER.	1-26-66	1440kc	1kw-DA-D	Day	1-26 12-1-67
Lic to show daytime site (Two sites)					
BTC-5330	7-7-67	Voluntary transfer of control of lic.			
corp. from Robert W. Sudbrink and					
Margareta S. Sudbrink to John R.					
Livingston.					

June 1954

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W I O KStation location Normal, IllinoisName of licensee IROQUOIS COUNTY BROADCASTING CO. (AL 9-6-77 EFF: 10-20-77)  
\* GREAT OAKS BROADCASTING, INC. (AL 2-28-74 EFF: 3-4-74)

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BR-4200 (s)	3-20-68	Renewal of license (Day and Night sights)			3-20 12-1-70
BRC-3141 (1)	3-27-68	Operate	RC.	(Day and Night sights)	
BAL-6815	3-11-70	VOL. AL	EFF:	4-1-70	
BS-4200 (2)	8-12-71	Mod. of lic. to change call letters to W A KC.			
BML-2377(3)	10-18-71	Mod. of lic. to change corporate name to: WAKC, INC.			
EBSA	5-22-72				
BR-4200(L)	2-29-72	RENEWAL DAY & NIGHTTIME			12-1-73
BR-4200(L)	11-28-73	RENEWAL OF DAY & NIGHTTIME			12-1-76
BAL-8030	2-28-74	VOL AL	EFF:	3-4-74	
BS-4200(L)	1-17-74	ML to measure monitor points <del>every</del> once a month 1440khz 500w DA RC Night Site 1kw DA RC Day Site			12-1-76
BTC-8176	11/23/76	Invol	TC of neg con	EFF:	6-21-76
BAL-9033	9-6-77	Vol. AL	EFF:	10-20-77	
BR-4200(L)	9-7-77	RENEWAL (NIGHTTIME SITE)			12-1-79
BR-4200(L)	9-7-77	RENEWAL (DAYTIME SITE)			12-1-79
BS-4200(1)	10-24-77	ML chg. call (Night site)			
BS-4200(1)	10-24-77	ML chg. call (Day site)			
EBSA	10-24-77	Chg. call			
BR 790727 VI	6-30-80	(L)	RENEWAL	Nighttime	
BR 790727 VI	"	(L)	RENEWAL	Daytime	12-1-82
COMTEL	10-2-80	REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIC DATA REGARDING MAX. LIMITS WITHIN WHICH MONITOR POINTS ARE EXPECTED TO VARY. ALSO IF FEASIBLE, WOULD PREFER OPERATION WITH PARAM AT VARIANCE TO MAINTAIN MONITOR POINTS WITHIN LIC. LIMITS. WITHHOLDING ACTION ON REQUEST PENDING SUBMISSION OF REQUESTED DATA.			

# BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

CARD # 3

First licensed .....

Call Letters ..... AM  
WRBA

Station Location .....

SEE CARD # 1

Name .....

Transmitter Location .....

Main studio location .....

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
COMTEL	10-17-80	<p>MONITOR POINT READINGS RECEIVED. TEMP. AUTH. GR. OPERATE PARAMETERS AT VARIANCE BUT MUST MAINTAIN MONITOR POINTS WITHIN LIC. LIMITS. REDUCE POWER IF MONITOR POINTS CANNOT BE OTHERWISE MAINTAINED WITHIN LIMITS. KEEP US INFORMED OF PROGRESS ON DETUNING NEARBY POWER LINES. THIS AUTH. EXPIRES 12-31-80.</p>	

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call

Letters ~~now~~ W I O K

ROBERT W. SUDBRINK &amp; MARGARETA S. SUDBRINK d/b as

Name McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.  
NORMAL, ILLINOIS (P.O. R. W. Sudbrink, 210 Washington St., Beardstown, Ill.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-14,401	9-27-60	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1440kc Power - 1kw DA-D Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - 1.5 miles North of Downs, Illinois Studio location - To be determined Normal, Illinois Atty.- Leo Resnick Eng.- Walter F. Kean, Riverside, Ill.	GRANTED	11-27-61
Rec'd	10-3-60		Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & complete non-DA proof.	
Filed	10-3-60		After Hearing Docket No. 13967 Order Issued.	



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W I O K

#2  
 ✓ ROBERT W. SUDBRINK & MARGARETA S. SUDBRINK d/b as  
 McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.  
 Name .....  
 NORMAL, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-10,066 Rec'd Filed	12-15-61 12-19-61 12-19-61	<del>Mod. of CP (BP-14,401, which auth. a new standard broadcast station)</del> Mod. of CP (BP-14,401, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change hours of operation to Unlimited with power of 500w-5kw <sup>1kw</sup> install new transmitter: make <del>change in DA system (add 4 towers)</del> and change from DA-D to DA-2  Atty. Leo Resnick Eng. Robert A. Jones, La Grange, Ill.	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & complete non-DA proof.	11-18-64
SEE CARD # 4 FOR AMENDMENT				
BMP-10,310 R.&F.	5-24-62 5-29-62	Mod. of CP(BP-14,401, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to make chgs in antenna system(top loading)  Atty-Leo Resnick Engr-Robert Jones	GRANTED	6-28-62

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W I O KName ROBERT W. SUDBRINK AND MARGARETA S. SUDBRINK d/b as McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.  
NORMAL, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAP-597 Rec'd Filed	6-16-62 6-18-62 6-18-62	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to McLean County Broadcasting Co., Inc.  Leo Resnick, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: per Form 323	7-16-62 9-22-62
BMP-10,324 R.&F.	6-18-62 6-20-62	Mod. of CP(BP-14,401 as mod. which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to chg. type transmitter(Collins 20V-3) Atty-Leo Resnick	GRANTED	<del>XXXXXX</del> 7-6-62
BMP-10,325 R.&F.	6-22-62 6-26-62	Mod. of CP(BP-14,401 as mod. which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for ext. of completion date from 7-27-62 to 10-1-62.  Atty-Leo Resnick	GRANTED	7-6-62

FORM BC-121  
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W I O K

Name McLean County Broadcasting Co., Inc.  
Normal, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-9611 R. & F.	8-23-62 8-24-62	License to cover CP (EP-14,401) <sup>as mod.</sup> which auth. a new standard broadcast station. specify studios at trans. site. Mgr: Robert A. Jones La Grange, Ill. Atty: Leo Resnick	GRANTED	1-2-63
BMP-10,066 AMENDMENT R&F	CON'T 5-23-63 5-27-63	AMENDED 5-27-63 to change applicant name to McLean County Broadcasting Co., Inc. BAP-597 gr. 7-16-62, make change in DA patterns	GRANTED	11-18-64
AMENDMENT R&F	2-10-64 2-12-64	AMENDED to delete request for change in daytime facilities, <sup>file daytime as lic.</sup> install new directional antenna system for nighttime operation at 3.5 miles North of Downs, Illinois (2 sites) make change in nighttime DA pattern, install new transmitter for nighttime (2 Main trans.) (Gates BC-1T)	See Card #5 re petitions	
AMENDMENT R&F	4-30-64	AMENDED to make change in nighttime DA pattern		
AMENDMENT R&F	5-5-64	AMENDED to chg. studio location to Northeast Corner of Main and Virginia Streets, Normal, Illinois (AMENDED 10-5-64 to chg. MEOV)		
AMENDMENT R&F	6-5-64 6-9-64			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
 Letters WJOK

Name McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.  
NORMAL, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4200 R&F	9-21-64 9-23-64	Renewal of license. Atty: Leo Resnik	GRANTED	11-9-64
<p>BMP-10,066 continued            PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 12-21-64 by Earl Stanley for XXX WJOK, INC.            Ltr. dated 1-31-64 by Resnick for ext. time to reply petition            RESPONSE BY McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC. TO WJOK, INC.'S PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION            filed 1-12-65 by Resnick for applicant            MEMORANDUM OPINION &amp; ORDER adopted 2-24-65 GRANTED to the extent of requiring            measurements on 342° and 001° azimuths and DENIED in all other respects.</p>				
BMP-11,536 R&F	6-9-65 6-15-65	Mod. of C.P. (BMP-10,066, as mod. which auth, chng. hrs. of opr. to U., with power of 500w-1kw LS, chng. from DA-D to DA-2, and chng. studio loc.) for extension of completion date from 7-18-65 to 1-18-66.  Atty: Leo Resnick	GRANTED	6-30-65 1-18-66

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W I O KName McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.  
Normal, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,128 R & F	10/15/65 10/18/65	Lic. to cover CP (BMP-10,066 as mod.) which auth. chng. hrs. of operation using 500w 1kw LS, chng. DA-D to DA-2 & chng. studio loc; chng. to 2 site operation & install new trans. (specify GATES BC 500T (night).  Atty: Leo Resnick	GRANTED	1-26-66
BTC-5184 R & F	9-19-66 9-21-66	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Robert W. Sudbrink and Margareta S. Sudbrink to Illinois Broadcasting Company  REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.35(a) of RULES  Atty for transferee - Miller & Schroeder for transferor - Leo Resnick	DISMISSED	1-5-67 Drctn of Commission (re overlap)
BTC-5330 R & F	4-27-67 4-28-67	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Robert W. Sudbrink and Margareta Sudbrink to John R. Livingston  Atty - Samuel Miller	GRANTED	7-7-67

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1440KC

Call  
Letters W I O K

W I O K, INC.

Name McLEAN COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.  
Normal, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-3141 Rec'd Filed AUG 4 1967	7-17-67 7-19-67 7-24-67	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1218 South Main, Normal, Illinois. (DA-2)(Day & Night SITES) Atty.: Leo Resnick	GRANTED	3-27-68
BR-4200 R & F SEP 14 1967	9-1-67 9-5-67	Renewal of License (Day & night SITES) Atty: Samuel Miller(per phone)	GRANTED	3-20-68
BAL-6815 R & F FEE PD: \$105 -#561514 (remotes included) Pub.notice filed 12-15-69 JAN 14 1970	11-20-69 12-3-69	Voluntary assignment of license to WICK, INC. Request waiver Sec. 1.597 of Rules Atty for assignor - Samuel Miller for assignee - McKenna & Wilkinson Amended 12-12-69 re exemptions from transfer Amended 1-23-70 - security agreement between bank and assignor	GRANTED EFF:	3-11-70 4-1-70

REQUEST TO TERMINATE THE PRE-SUNRISE OPERATIONS WITH DAYTIME FACILITIES filed 1-7-65 by Stanley on behalf of WROK.

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OPPOSITION TO REQUEST BY WROK filed 2-1-65 by Leo Resnick on behalf of WIOK.

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LETTER dated 11-27-68 by Broadcast Bureau DISMISSED AS MOOT request.



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1440 kc

Call WAKC  
Letters W-I-O-K

WAKC, INC.

Name <sup>X</sup> WIOK, INC.  
NORMAL, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4200 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 16 1970	8-31-70 9-2-70 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE John L. Tierney, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)  AMENDED 12-7-70 re: Engineering (skeleton proof) AMENDED 2-11-71 re: Engineering Report	GRANTED	2-29-72
Annual filing fee \$80.00 paid 11-18-70 #644905.				
BML-2377 R & F #008293 \$50 Acc. 060 Press OCT 6 1971	9-27-71 9-30-71 9-30-71	Modification of license to change corporate name to WAKC, INC.  Atty: John L. Tierney	GRANTED	10-18-71
Amended 10-13-71 re: By-Laws				
BR-4200 R & F PN Recd. PRESS 23 AUG 1973	8-1-73 8-14-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (DAY & NIGHT TIME SITES) John L. Tierney, Atty.	GRANTED	11-28-73

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WAKC

GREAT OAKS BROADCASTING, INC.

Name  WAKC, INC.  
Normal, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-8030 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 #250622 CODE 047 NOV 20 1973	11-7-73 11-9-73	Voluntary assignment of license to GREAT OAKS BROADCASTING, INC. (SEE OVER) Atty for assignor - McKenna, Wilkinson etc for assignee - Haley, Bader & Potts	GRANTED GRANT FEE: \$8,000.00 EFF: 048 PD 3-7-74 W 287822	2-28-74 3-4-74
PUB. NOTICE FILED	12-11-73			
Request R&F PRESS: SEP 13 1974	8-31-74 9-9-74	Request for waiver of Section 73.1201(b)(2) of the rules to identify as Normal-Bloomington, Illinois.	GRANTED	10-21-74
BR-4200 R & F P.N. Press SEP 24 1976	7-15-76 7-30-76 7-30-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Night & Daytime Sites) Atty: Lois S. Schwartz AMENDED 9-30-76 re: prog.	GRANTED	9-7-77

RE: BAL-8030 - ~~ATTY WAS CALLED 11-12-73~~ - discrep re stock  
(Par. 11, columns E & F & Table I (issued & subscribed??)  
Stock sub. agreements nec. } net income not given

AMENDED 11-27-73 - correction re stock (none subscribed);  
re prog. & staff (SEE BELOW)

AMENDED 12-10-73 - financing

AMENDED 1-3-74 - financial data; revised response to  
Sec II (show stock subscribed; statement re citizenship  
Clarif. re financing filed 1-16-74

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1440khz

Call WRBA  
Letters XWAKC

IROQUOIS COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.  
Name xGREAT OAKS BROADCASTING, INC.  
NORMAL, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-8176 Rec'd Filed Fee pd \$100 Code 047 (FORM 316)	8/25/76 10/19/76 11/5/76 W 626360	Involuntary transfer of negative control of lic corp from Allan Jackson to Alta Jackson, Administratrix, c.t.a. of the Estate of Allan Jackson, deceased Court Order filed 11-5-76 Atty - Lois S. Schwartz	GRANTED EFF: NO FEE:	11/23/76 6-21-76 "Cond'1"
BAL -9033 R & F FORM 314 Pub Notice filed JUL 8 1977	5-20-77 5-27-77 6-17-77	Voluntary assignment of license to IROQUOIS COUNTY BROADCASTING CO. (see over) Atty for assignor - Lois S. Schwartz for assignee - <u>Daly, Joyce &amp; Borsari</u> Notice re Tax Lien filed 6-21-77 (assignor) AMENDED 7-6-77 (assignor) to reflect pending Court Action (Small Claims)	GRANTED EFF:	9-6-77 10-20-77

82-3-30-79

RE: BAL-9033 Assignee is licensee of WGFA -Art on file  
AMENDED 8-15-77 - financial & prog. data  
Ltr from bank filed 8-23-77 re no B/C newspaper etc intere  
Statement from bank re no B/C int - filed 8-31-77

## APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

1440 Khz

Call Letters: W R B A

Name: IROQUOIS COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.

Station Location: WATSEKA, ILLINOIS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR790727VI PRESS:	SEP 18 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED 6-30-80

## 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.

