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**REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE**

**Cat. No. 4550L**

**Patent No. 1390199**



June 1954

3238

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed ..... February 20, 1956

W Y Y Y (Effective 12-6-68)

Call letters ..... X W K L Z

Station Location: Kalamazoo, Michigan

THE CIRCLE CORPORATION (AE 1-5-56 EFF: 1-21-56)

Name of licensee ☒ JOSEPH F. BUTLER AND RALPH E. PATTERSON

2315 Schippers Lane, Kalamazoo, Michigan (lic 2-20-56)

Transmitter location ☒ On Schippers Lane, 0.217 mile east of city limits of Kalamazoo, Michigan.  
(CP 10-19-55)

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Main studio location ☒ Schippers Lane, Kalamazoo, Michigan (CP 10-19-55) (lic 2-20-56)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-9954	10-19-55	1470	500w	Day	12-19-55 6-19-56
	CP for a new standard broadcast station.				
BMP-7049 (1)	12-22-55	Mod. of CP(BP-9954) to change type of transmitter.			
BAP-276 EFF:	1-5-56 1-21-56	Vol. assignment of construction permit to The Circle Corporation			
BL-6058	2-20-56	1470	500w	Day	2-20 10-1-58
-----	-----	Lic to cover CP (BP-9954 mod) new station			
Telegram	5-10-56	Sign-off 6 pm, May thru Sept. 1956			
BZ-3805 (1)	10-4-56	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
Wire	2-17-60	Sign-off 6PM Saturdays and Sundays period ending 9-30-60 except for spec. events...			
BR-3238	9-2-61	Renewal of license 10-1 10-1-62			
BTC-4153 EFF:	12-12-62 1-11-63	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Joseph F. Butler and Ralph E. Patterson to Emile J. Popke, Jr., Robert J. Van Beck and Bernice K. Mathes.			
BRC-2465 (1)	5-12-64	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 2315 Schippers Lane, (Control Room), Kalamazoo, Michigan.			
BZ-5243 (3)	6-26-64	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.			
BR-3238	9-11-64	1470	500w	Day	10-1 10-1-67
Ltr. dated 4-24-65 & rec'd 6-11-65 giving notification per Sect. 73.48(a)(5) Rules that a Gates BC-500G trans. is now installed & in oper. (Eff: 4-24-65)					
BL-11,059	11-8-65	1470kc	500w	Aux	11-8 10-1-67
Lic to use old main trans (Gates BC-500D at main trans loc to be opt on 1470kc, 500w with RC for aux purposes only					



Form BC 126

June 1954

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters KKLZ

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
BR-3238	9-8-67	1470kc	500w	Day (m)	10-1-10-1-70
		Renewal of License (Aux.)			10-1-10-1-70
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
PZ-7362(1)	1-29-70	Direct Meas.	(Main)		
PZ-7361(1)	1-29-70	Direct Meas.	(Aux.)		
BR-3238	11-24-70	Renewal of License (Main-L & Aux.L)			10-1-73
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-3238(S)	11-6-74		RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)		10-1-76
BR-3238(S)	9-15-76	Renewal (Main & Aux)			10-1-79
BTC781211EC	5-29-79	VOL. TC		EFF:	5-31-79
BR790601C5 (S)	9-21-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			9-21-79



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **W K L Z**  
Letters **HOW**

Name **JOSEPH F. BUTLER AND RALPH E. PATTERSON**  
**PO ~~784~~ ~~Artell~~ St., Kalamazoo, Michigan**  
**BOX 663**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
<b>Bp-9954</b> <b>Rec'd</b> <b>Filed</b>	<b>6-25-55</b> <b>6-27-55</b> <b>6-27-55</b>	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1470kg Power: 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: 0.217 mi. east of city limits on Schippers Lane Kalamazoo, Michigan Studio Location: Schippers Lane Kalamazoo, Michigan  Walter F. Kean, Engr., Riverside, Ill.	GRANTED	10-19-55



GATES BO 500K



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FORM BC-121

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Call  
Letters W K L ZName THE CIRCLE CORPORATION (AL 1-5-56 EFF: 1-21-56)  
xJOSEPH F. BUTLER AND RALPH E. PATTERSON

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7049 Rec'd Filed	12-1-55 12-5-55 12-5-55	Modification of construction permit (BP-9954 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (GATES BC-500D).	GRANTED	12-22-55
BAP-276 Rec'd Filed	12-15-55 12-16-55 12-16-55	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to The Circle Corporation.	GRANTED EFF:	1-5-56 1-21-56
BL-6058 Rec'd Filed	1-21-56 1-23-56 1-23-56	License to cover construction permit (BP-9954, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	2-20-56



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call

Letters W K L ZName THE CIRCLE CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-3805 Rec'd Filed	9-1-56 9-4-56 9-4-56	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	10-4-56
BP-10,852 Rec'd Filed	10-5-56 10-8-56 10-8-56	Construction permit to change frequency from 1470kc <u>to</u> 1440kc; increase power from 500w <u>to</u> 1kw and install new transmitter(Collins 20V)		
AMENDMENT Rec'd Filed	2-23-57 2-25-57 2-25-57	AMENDED to change power <u>to</u> 5kw, install direct- ional antenna (DA-D), make changes in ground system and change type transmitter(Gates BC 5P)		
AMENDMENT R & F	9-6-57 9-9-57	AMENDED to make changes in DA pattern.  Atty. - Eugene L. Burke		

Docket 12300  
 Denied 6-8-60  
 Order Issued



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W K L Z

Name THE CIRCLE CORPORATION  
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3238 Rec'd. Filed	7-7-58 7-8-58 7-8-58	Renewal of license.  Eugene L. Burke, Atty.	GRANTED	9-10-58
BR-3238 Rec'd Filed	7-7-61 7-10-61 7-10-61	Renewal of license  Eugene L. Burke, Attys.	GRANTED	9-7-61
BTC-4153 Rec'd Filed	10-29-62 11-1-62 11-1-62	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Joseph F. Butler and Ralph E. Patterson to Emile J. Popke, Jr., Robert J. Van Beck and Bernice K. Mathes.  Percy H. Russell, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-12-62 1-11-63
BRC-2465 Rec'd Filed	5-5-64 5-7-64 5-7-64	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 2315 Schippers Lane, (Control Room), Kalamazoo, Michigan.	GRANTED	5-12-64



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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W Y Y Y  
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Name THE CIRCLE CORPORATION  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-5243 R. & F.	5-5-64 5-7-64	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	6-26-64
BR-3238 R. & F.	6-29-64 7-1-64	Renewal of License	GRANTED	9-14-64
BL-11,059 R & F	6/9/65 6/11/65	License to use old main trans. (Gates BC-5000) at main trans. loc. to be operated on 1470kc 500w with remote control for auxiliary purposes only. (Aux.)	GRANTED	11-8-65
BR-3238 R & F JUL 18 1967	6-27-67 7-3-67	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty.: Percy H. Russell	GRANTED	9-8-67



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Letters W Y Y YName THE CIRCLE CORPORATION  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-7361 Rec'd Filed DM JAN 27 1970	7-7-69 6/27/69 7-10-69 7-17-69	Direct Meas. (Aux.)	<del>RETURNED</del> <del>Sec. I</del> GRANTED	<del>7/1/69 no</del>  1-29-70
BZ-7362 R & F #519124 \$30. REFUNDED DM JAN 27 1970	5-28-69 6-2-69 6-2-69 1-26-70 6-12-69	Direct Measurement. (MAIN)	GRANTED	1-29-70
BR-3238 R & F \$75 #614279 \$30 #614280 PN Recd. PRESS AUG 11 1970	6-30-70 7-6-70 " "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) AMENDED 9-14-70 re: programming; commercial practices; business interest AMENDED 11-2-70 re: programming; commercial practices	GRANTED	11-24-70



Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W Y Y YName THE CIRCLE CORPORATION  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
10-5-70	Annual fee \$60.00	deducted from \$105.00 Renewal filing fee.	Credit \$45.00 to 1971.	
BR-3238 R & F PN PRESS	6-28-73 7-2-73 7-2-73	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) AMENDED 11-19-73 re: EEO AMENDED 12-6-73 re: composition of area: EEO	GRANTED	11-6-74
BR-3238 R & F P.N. Press	5-27-76 6-1-76 6-1-76 AUG 3 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty: John R. Quale (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	9-15-76
BTC 781211 EC PRESS Form 315 PN FILED	JAN 15 1979 1-12-79	Vol TC from Emil J. Popke to Williams Broadcasting Corporation (over) Atty-John C. Quale (Kirkland & Ellis)	GRANTED EFF:	5-29-79 5-31-79
JOINT COMMENTS RE TC filed 2-14-79 by (1) Attys Fisher, Wayland etc., on behalf of The Air-Borne Group, Inc. (new FM) and (2) Atty Mullin on behalf of Sear B/G Company (new FM applic) F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. (see memo)				



BTC ---EC Amended 12-29-78 re: Ascer. and Program-  
ming data

AMENDED 1-31-79 re: include attached loan commitment  
ltr. from Nancy Williams to Michel Day and updated finan.  
statement of Nancy Williams.

OPPOSITION TO JOINT COMMENTS filed Kirkland & Ellis on  
behalf of assignor

AMENDED 3-15-79 re: bank letter

AMENDED 5-15-79 re: amended Sales Agreement



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters .....W-Y-Y-Y.....

Name The Circle Corporation

Kalamazoo, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR790601C5 PRESS	JUL 30 1979	Renewal of License Atty.: John C. Quale	GRANTED	9-21-79
BTC810731HD Form 316 PRESS	AUG 2 1981	Vol TC from Michael O. Day and Nancy A. Williams to Michael O. Day, Nancy A. Williams and Larry Kronenberger Atty. Eugene T. Smith		
BTC810813FW Form 315 PRESS	AUG 26 1981	Vol TC from Michael O. Day, and Nancy A. Williams to Walter Isbert Atty Eugene T. Smith		



## 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.

