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LOCATION: GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGANName of licensee x REGIONAL BROADCASTERS OF MICHIGAN, INC., (AL 2-3-60; EFF: 3-31-60)
MUSIC BROADCASTING COMPANYTransmitter location 1300 Plymouth, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan (redescribed Lic. 4-18-57)
x Plymouth at Leonard, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan (MP 8-26-47)Main studio location 122 Lyon, N. W., Grand Rapids, Michigan (BS 11-29-71)
x 1300 Plymouth, N. E. Grand Rapid, Michigan (BS 3-4-71)
x 35 Lafayette, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan (Ltr. 10-30-47)
x 1000 Michigan Trust Bldg., Grand Rapids, Michigan (MP 8-26-47)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BP-5804 Ltr. 7-25-47. Filing MP	6-11-47	1410	1 kw	Daytime	C.P. for new station granted subject to T site and antenna.
BP-5804 BMP-2949	8-26-47	1410	1kw	Daytime	By 10-26-47 to 4-26-48 Mod.C.P.(5804) to chg. type trans., for approval of antenna & trans. site & specify studio location
BL-2780 BZ-2624	1-7-48	1410	1kw	Daytime	1-7 11-1-50 Lic. to cover C.P.(5804, as mod.) and authority to determine operating power by direct method (Cond
BTC-964 EFF: 8-23-50	8-9-50	Vol. TC	of lic. corp	from Campbell H. Steketee et/al to Carl J. Riddering et/al.	
BR-1822	10-18-50	1410	1kw	Daytime	11-1 11-1-53
BRC-131 (1)	8-10-53	Mod. lic.	to operate trans. by Remote Control from 35 Lafayette, N.E., Mich.		Grand Rapids,
BR-1822	10/7/53	1410	1kw	Daytime	11/1 10/1/55
BR-1822	9-7-55	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1 10-1-58
BP-10932	12-7-56	1410	1kw	Day	2-7 8-7-57 CP install new transmitter
BL-6597 (1)	4-18-57	Lic. to cover CP(BP-10,932) to install new transmitter (RCA BTA-1MX).			
BL-6663 Issued with BRC-1155	8-7-57	1410kc	1kw	Auxiliary	8-7 10-1-58 License to install old main trans. (W.E. 443-A-1) as an auxiliary transmitter to be located at present location of Main Trans., for Auxiliary purposes only.
BRC-1155 Issued with BL-6663	8-7-57	Modification of license to operate Auxiliary transmitter by Remote Control from 35 Lafayette Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan			
BR-1822	9-3-58	1410kc	1kw	Day	10-1 10-1-61 Renewal of License, (Aux.)
BTC-3350 EFF: 2-4-60 (All stockholders)	2-3-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Carlton W. Duncan, et al to Regional Broadcasters of Michigan, Inc			

Form BC 126 #2
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location

Name of licensee REGIONAL BROADCASTERS OF MICHIGAN, INC.

Transmitter location See card #1

Main studio location See card #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BAL-3769 EFF:	2-3-60 3-31-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Regional Broadcasters of Michigan, Inc.			
BR-1822	12-28-61	1410kc	1kw	Day	12-28 10-1-64
		1410kc	1kw	AUX to	10-1-64
BR-1822	9-14-64	Renewal of License Main and Aux			10-1 10-1-67
BTC-5048 EFF:	3-18-66 3-25-66	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Edith P. Martin (100%) thru purchase of stock (50%) from WILLIAM H. RICH.			
BR-1822	9-8-67	Renewal of License (Main and Auxiliary)			10-1 10-1-70
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BS-1822(1)	4-28-69	Ltr. correct July sunset time.			
BR-1822	9-30-70	RENEWAL MAIN(L) & AUX.(L)			10-1-73
BS-1822(1)	3-4-71	ML chg. RC location to transmitter site.			
BS-1822(2)	11-29-71	1 ML chg. SL & RC (Main)			
BS-1822(1)	11-29-71	1 ML chg. SL & RC (Aux.)			
ZBSA	6-12-72				
BR-1822(L)	6-25-74	Renewal of License (Main & Aux)			10-1-75 (short term)
COMLET	6-5-75	Delete obstruction marking & Lighting			
BR-1822(L)	9-23-75	Renewal of License			10-1-76
BR-1822 BZ-9300(L)	1-27-77	Renewal of License and Modification			
BR790601BV	11-27-79	(S) RENEWAL			
E B S A	6-29-81	CALL SIGN CHANGE			10-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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(PO 1000 Michigan Trust Building, Grand Rapids, Michigan)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EP-5804 Rec'd Filed	2-3-47 2-6-47 2-6-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1410kc Power: 1kw Hours of operation: Daytime only Trans. location: To be determined-Grand Rapids, Michigan Studio location: Same (Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.; John Barron, Engr.)	GRANTED subject to filing MP for T site and antenna. Ltr. 6-11-47.	6-11-47

Transmitter-RCA BTA-1L

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-2949 Rec'd Filed	7-3-47 7-7-47 7-7-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-5804, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (W.E. 443-A1), for approval of antenna and transmitter location at Plymouth at Leonard N.E., Grand Rapids, Mich. and to specify studio location as 1000 Michigan Trust Bldg., Grand Rapids, Michigan. (Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.; George E. Gautney, Engr.)	Granted	8-26-47

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-2780 Rec'd Filed	10-20-47 10-21-47 10-28-47	License to cover C.P. (BP-5804, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and change studio location from: 1000 Michigan Trust Bldg., Grand Rapids, Michigan to 35 Lafayette, N. E. Grand Rapids, Michigan.	GRANTED Cond. re 3.55(b) & 3.60 (a) & (b)	1-7-48 (c)
BZ-2624 Rec'd Filed	10-20-47 10-21-47 10-28-47	and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (Leonard H. Marks, Atty.)		
HP-6723 Rec'd Filed	4-13-48 4-19-48 4-19-48	Construction Permit to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited time, change power from 1kw day to 1kw day and night and install directional antenna for night use (DA-N). Leonard H. Marks, Atty. John Barron, Engr.	Docket 9493 Dismissed without prejudice 6-2-50 ORDER ISSUED	

(See amendment Card #3)

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6723 (cont. from Card #3)			See Card #3 for action.	
AMENDED	7-1-48	AMENDED re change in DA pattern		
Recd.	7-12-48			
Filed	7-12-48			
AMENDED	12-12-49	AMENDED to change power from 1kw to 5kw; to use		
Recd.	12-14-49	DA both day and night and make change in DA-N		
Filed	12-23-49	pattern; change type transmitter (RCA BTA 5F); changes in ground system; change transmitter location from Plymouth at Leonard N.E. Grand Rapids, Michigan, to: 905 - 56th St., S.W. near Grand Rapids, Michigan. Geo. E. Gautney, Engr.		
AMENDED	2-16-50	AMENDED to make changes in DA-N pattern and		
Recd.	2-20-50	change ground system		
Filed	2-20-50			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-964 Rec'd Filed	6-26-50 6-27-50 6-27-50	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Campbell H. Stoketee et al to <u>Carl J. Riddering</u> et al. Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:8	8-9-50 8-23-50
BR-1822 Rec'd	8-16-50 8-21-50	Renewal of license Leonard H. Marks, atty. filed	GRANTED	10-18-50
BP-8635 Rec'd Filed	10-6-52 10-24-52 10-24-52	Construction permit to increase height of the AM antenna and mount TV antenna on top. (Contingent on grant of TV application (BPCT-1275) Leonard H. Marks, Atty. Everett L. Dillard, Engr.	DISMISSED Cont. application dismissed	7-15-54 6-29-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-131 Rec'd Filed	7-24-53 7-28-53 7-28-53	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 35 Lafayette, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	8-10-53
BR-1822 Rec'd Filed	7-24-53 7-29-53 7-29-53	Renewal of License Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	10/7/53
PETITION FILED 12-7-53 by DOBIN FOR WGRD FOR CANCELLATION OF SUMMARY ORDER RE SECTION 3.87 PET. DENIED 12-28-53 MEMO. OPINION & ORDER ISSUED OPPOSITION TO PET. FILED 12-17-53 BY SLAUGHTER ON BEHALF OF WING. REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PET. FOR CANCELLATION OF SUMMARY ORDER FILED 12-23-53 BY MARKS FOR WGRD PET FOR STAY OF COMM. ORDER FILED 12-30-53 BY MARKS // PET. DENIED 1-6-54 MEMO OP. & ORDER ISSUED **PET. FILED 1-28-54 BY MARKS FOR REQUEST FOR HEARING AND ORAL ARGUMENT. ON BEHALF OF WGRD OPPOSITION FILED 2-9-54 BY SLAUGHTER ON BEHALF OF WING. ** ORAL argument scheduled (Memo Opinion & Order) 4-28-54 & Designated for hearing DOC. 11013				

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1822 Recd. Filed	6-10-55 6-15-55 6-15-55	Renewal of license Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	9-7-55
BML-1638 Rec'd Filed	8-22-55 8-30-55 8-30-55	Modification of license to change hours of operation from daytime to specified hours: Jan. 7:00 am to 5:30 pm July 5:15 am to 8:15pm Feb. 6:30 am to 6:15 pm Aug. 5:30 am to 7:45pm Mar. 6:00 am to 6:45 pm Sept. 5:30 am to 7:00pm Apr. 5:30 am to 7:30 pm Oct. 5:45 am to 6:00pm May 5:15 am to 8:00 pm Nov. 6:30 am to 5:15 pm June 5:00 am to 8:30 pm Dec. 7:00 am to 5:15 pm Cohn & Marks, Attys. Commercial Radio Equip. Co. Engr.	DISMISSED Request	10-22-57 of Applicant

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-10,932 Rec'd Filed	11-14-56 11-15-56 11-15-56	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1MX). Leonard H. Marks, atty.	GRANTED	12-7-56
BL-6597 Rec'd Filed	4-4-57 4-8-57 4-8-57	License to cover Construction Permit BP-10,932 which authorized installation of a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1MX).	GRANTED	4-18-57
BL-6663 Rec'd Filed	5-23-57 5-27-57 5-27-57	License to install old main transmitter (W.E. 443A-1) as an auxiliary transmitter to be located at present location of Main transmitter and to be operated on 1410kc, with power of 1kw, for auxiliary purposes only. Atty: Leonard H. Marks.	GRANTED	8-7-57
BRC-1155 Rec'd Filed	5-23-57 5-27-57 5-27-57	Modification of Auxiliary License to operate Auxiliary Transmitter by Remote Control from 35 Lafayette Avenue, N. W. Grand Rapids, Michigan.	GRANTED	8-7-57 (Issued with BL-6663)

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REGIONAL BROADCASTERS OF MICHIGAN, INC.

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1822 Rec'd Filed	6-2-58 6-5-58 6-5-58	Renewal of license (Main and Auxiliary) Atty. Marcus Cohn	GRANTED	9-3-58
BTC-3350 Rec'd Filed	1-12-60 1-12-60 1-12-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Carlton H. Runciman, et al, (All Stockholders) to Regional Broadcasters of Michigan, Inc. <u>Peter Shuebruk, Atty.</u>	GRANTED EFF:	2-3-60 2-4-60
BAL-3769 Rec'd Filed	1-12-60 1-12-60 1-12-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Regional Broadcasters of Michigan, Inc. (Contingent on grant of BTC-3350) <u>Peter Shuebruk, Atty.</u>	GRANTED EFF:	2-3-60 3-31-60
BR-1822 Rec'd & Filed	7-3-61 7-24-61	Renewal of License (Main & Aux.) John C. Doerfer, atty.	GRANTED	12-28-61

STATION NOW REPRESENTED BY JOHN C. DOERFER, ATTY. (Let. 5-22-62).

STATION WILL NOW BE REPRESENTED BY ROBERT BENNETT LUBIC (PITTSBURGH, PA.) PER LTR. 6-10-63

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1822 R.&F.	6-19-64 6-30-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main & Auxilairy) Atty-Robert Bennett Lubic, Pgh, Pa.	GRANTED	9-14-64
BTC-5048 R & F (Form 316)	2-17-66 2-23-66	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of lic. corp. by Edity P. Martin(100%) thru pur- chase of stock(50%) from William H. Rich Atty - R.B. Lubic	GRANTED EFF:	3-18-66 3-25-66
BR-1822 R & F BR-1822 Rec'd Filed JUL 18 1967	6-27-67 6-28-67 6-27-67 6-28-67 7-1-67	Renewal of License (Main) Atty: Robert Bennett Lubic Renewal of license (AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	7-8-67

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September 1969

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1822 R & F \$75 #612741 \$30 #for Aux. PN Recd. PRESS 10-1-70 Annual fee \$47.00	6-30-70 7-1-70 " " AUG 6 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) deducted from \$105.00 Renewal filing fee, \$58.00 credited to 1971.	GRANTED	9-30-70
BR-1822 R & F P.N. PRESS JUN 8 1973	6-18-73 6-21-73 6-21-73	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty.: Robert Bennett Lubic AMENDED 7-24-73 re: engineering statement AMENDED 10-30-73 re: ascert of comm. needs; programming	GRANTED (short term) to	6-25-74 10-1-75
BR-1822 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUN 18 1975	5-27-75 5-29-75 " JUN 18 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN) R.B.Lubic, Atty.	GRANTED	9/23/75

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May 1976

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1822 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	5-13-76 5-27-76 " JUN 29 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE R.B.Lubic, atty.	GRANTED issued with BZ-9300	1-27-77
BZ-9300 R & F DM PRESS	11-8-76 11-16-76 12-3-76 DEC 10 1976	Direct Measurement Atty: Robert Bennett Lubic	GRANTED issued with RENEWAL	1-27-77
BR790601BV PRESS	 AUG 8 1979	Renewal of License (Main & Aux. Trans.)	GRANTED	11-27-79

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.

