

WHCL

Form BC 126
June 1954
Official No. 238

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed June 5, 1963

Call letters W H C L-FM

Station location CLINTON, NEW YORK

Name of licensee TRUSTEES OF HAMILTON COLLEGE

S. College Bldg., Hamilton College, Town of Kirkland, N. Y. (BMPED 11-15-62) / (LED 6-5-63)
Transmitter location XClark H. Minor Theatre, Hamilton College, Town of Kirkland, N. Y. (BMPED 10-3-62)

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Main studio location Clark H. Minor Theatre, Hamilton College, Town of Kirkland, N. Y. / XSame as transmitter. (LED 6-5-63)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From - To |
|---------------------|--|--|-------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| BPED-530 HAAT:-- | 10-3-62 | 88.7mcs Ch.204 | ERP:-- TPO:10w | Unl. | 12-3 6-3-63 |
| | CP for a new Non-Commercial Educational FM Broadcast Station | | | | |
| BMPED-402 | 11-15-62 | Mod. of CP(BPED-530) to chg. ant.- trans. loc.; oper. trans. by RC. | | | |
| BLED-390 HAAT:-- | 6-5-63 | 88.7mcs Ch.204 | ERP:-- TPO:10w | Unl. | 6-5 6-1-66 |
| | Lic. to cover CP(BPED-530, as mod.) which auth. a new Non-Commercial Educational FM Broadcast Station. | | | | |
| BRED-238 | 5-27-66 | Renewal of License | | | 6-1 6-1-69 |
| BPED-238(S) | 6-13-69 | Renewal | | | 6-1-72 |
| EBSA | 5-15-72 | | | | |
| BRED-238 | 5-31-72 | (LONG) RENEWAL OF LICENSE | | | 6-1-75 |
| BRED-238(L) | 5-28-75 | Renewal of License | | | 6-1-78 |
| BRED-238(S) | 11-30-78 | LICENSE TO OPERATE | | | 6-1-81 |

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **WHCL-FM**
Letters **new-non-comm-ed**

Name **TRUSTEES OF HAMILTON COLLEGE**
~~HAMILTON COLLEGE~~, CLINTON, NEW YORK (c/o Herbert C. Hansen, Hamilton College, Clinton,
N.Y.)

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|----------------------------|---------|--|---------|---------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BPED-530 Rec'd Filed | 6-27-62 | Construction permit for a new non-commercial educational broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency- 88.7mc CH 204 TPO- 10w Type transmitter- Gates BFE-10B, M-5594 Type antenna- Andrews 1302-2A, 2 sections Trans. loc.-Clark H. Minor Theater, Hamilton College, Town of Kirkland, New York Studio loc.- same as transmitter Atty.- Dow, Lohnes, & Albertson Engr.- Gino Ricciardelli | GRANTED | 10-3-62 |
| | 7-2-62 | | | |
| | 7-2-62 | | | |
| | 7-16-62 | Section V-G, inadvertently omitted, filed. | | |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
 Letters ...W.H.C.I.-FM.....

Name TRUSTEES OF HAMILTON COLLEGE
 CLINTON, NEW YORK

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|--------------------|----------------------|--|---------|----------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| EMPED-402 R & F | 10-10-62 10-24-62 | Mod. of CP (BPED-530 which auth a new non-commercial educational B/C station) to move ant-trans loc from Clark H. Minor Theater, Hamilton College, Town of Kirkland, N.Y. to South College Building, Hamilton College, Town of Kirkland, N.Y. and establish a Remote Control Point from main studio location. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson | GRANTED | 11-15-62 |
| BLKD-390 R & F | 2-4-63 2-8-63 | Lic. to cover CP (EPED-530, as mod) which auth a new Non-Comm Ed FM B/C station. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson | GRANTED | 6-5-63 |
| BRED-238 R & F | 2-24-66 3-3-66 | Renewal of license | GRANTED | 5-27-66 |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W H C L-FMName TRUSTEES OF HAMILTON COLLEGE
CLINTON, NEW YORK

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BRED-238 R & F No fee required PRESS MAR 19 1969 | 2-27-69 3-3-69 | Renewal of license | GRANTED | 6-13-69 |
| BRED-238 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAR 28 1972 | 3-6-72 3-10-72 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | GRANTED | 11-30-78 |
| BRED-238 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAR 7 1975 | 1-30-75 2-6-75 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 5-22-75 re: EEO | GRANTED | 5-31-72 |
| BRED-238 R & F PRESS | 5-26-78 6-1-78 JUN 2 1978 | LICENSE to operate on 88.7 mhz; 10 Watts. | GRANTED | 5-28-75 |
| | | | | 11-30-78 |

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

88.7 MHz

Call Letters: WHCL-FM

Name: TRUSTEES OF HAMILTON COLLEGE

Station Location: Clinton, NY

| File No. | Date | Description | Action and Date |
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| BRED810529UA PRESS JUN 9 1981 | | Renewal of License | |

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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 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). Prior to that move, 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.

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.

