

KERA-TV



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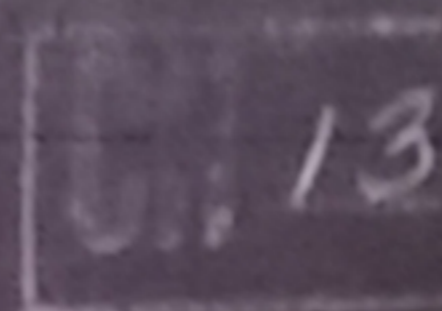
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June 1964

NON COMM. ED TV S/C

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-1-62 (CET # 442)



Call letters KERA-TV

Station location DALLAS, TEXAS

STATION ID: Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS (ML 2-28-74) Ltr. 6-21-72

X PUBLIC TELEVISION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS (BMLET-96 12-2-69)

Name of licensee X AREA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION FOUNDATION

Approximately 0.7 miles South of Center of Cedar Hill, Texas (BPET-351 6-18-69)

x 3000 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, Texas (BMPET-221 1-27-60) Licensed 8-1-62

Transmitter location x State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas

3000 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, Texas (BMPET-221 1-27-60) Licensed 8-1-62

Main studio location

TO BE DETERMINED, Dallas, Texas.

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPET-75	7-30-58	CH # 13	V-57.5 kw	U	9-30-58
ah: 540'		210-216	A-28.8 kw		3-30-59
CP for a New Non-Comm. BD TV B/C station.					
BMPET-208	3-23-59	same	same	same	9-30-58
Mod. of CP (BPET-75) to extend completion date.					
					9-30-59
BMPET-216	9-22-59	same	same	same	9-30-58
Mod. CP (BPET-75, as mod) to extend completion date.					
					3-30-60
BMPET-221	1-27-60	CH #13	V-107 kw	U	9-30-58
ah: 330'		210-216	A-53.7 kw	MSL:	7-25-60
Mod. CP (BPET-75, as mod) to chg. ERP, TL, SL, install new transmitters, ant. sys. chgs. in equip. & AH.					
BMPET-228	6-27-60	same	same	same	9-30-58
Mod. CP (BPET-75, as mod) to extend completion date.					
					9-15-60
WIPE: 9-2-60 TELETYPE AUGUST 31 AND LIC. APPLIC. BLT-53. AUTH. GRANTED OPER. KEPA-TV ON PROGRAM TEST AG-CONFORMANCE RULE 3.629 AND CP BMPET-228. ADVISE WHEN OPER. COMMENCED UNDER THIS AUTHORITY. // Began 9-11-60					
WIPE: 8-10-61 NO OBJECTION KEPA-TV TRANSMISSION TEST PAT. & TONE DUR. PER. INDICATED. MUSIC TRANSMISSION WITH TEST PAT. NOT CONSISTEN WITH EXAMPLE (4), SEC. 3.651(C) (2) RULES. YOUR REFERENCE TO RULE 3.666 NOT APPLICABLE.					
BLT-53	8-1-62	CH#13	Vis. 107 kw	U	8-1-62
ah: 330'		210-216	Aur. 53.7 kw	MSL: 81 ft.	8-1-65
License to cover CP (BPET-75, as mod) which auth. a new stat.					
BRET-44	7-2-65	same	same	same	8-1-65
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
					8-1-68
BMLET-73	3-4-66	same	same	same	3-4-66
					8-1-68
Mod. of Lic. to reduce Rural ERP					
BRET-44	7-22-68	(L)	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		8-1-71
BPET-351	6-18-69	CH. 13	V-288 kw	U	8-18-69
ah: 1540' MSL: 2349'		210-216	A-28.8 kw		2-18-70
CP to change ERP; TL; type trans. type antenna; increase AH.					
BMLET-96	12-2-69	ML to change name			
BMPET-645	2-4-70	MP to extend completion date (BPET-351) (S) (1)			
					8-4-70
BMPET-672	7-16-70	MP to extend completion date (BPET-351) (S)			
					1-16-71

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NON-COMM. TV

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

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Station location DALLAS, TEXAS

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

## CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
LTR.	10-12-70	Re in-school programming			8-1-71
WIRE	10-15-70	PENDING FLL. LIC. APPLI.			AUTH. GR.
OPER. TEMP. PER. END.	12-1-70	ACCORD BPET-674			EXCEPT
FOR TEMP. MODIFICATION		TO DAMAGED ANT. PANELS.			ADVISE WHEN
OPERATION UNDER THIS		AUTHORITY COMMENCES.			
WIRE	12-8-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			1-4-71
WIRE	1-11-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO			2-1-71
BPET-405	2-18-71	CP replace exp. cp (BPET-			351
		as mod)			8-18-72
Wire	2-19-71	Re tend'd. lic. appl. auth. gtd. oper. on			
PTA accord. Sect. 73.629		Rules & CP BPET-405.			
BLET-275	5-26-71	Lic. (BPET-405) Chg.			8-1-71
LTR.	7-20-71	Re in-school programming			8-1-74
BRETT-44	7-29-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)			8-1-74
EBSA	5-15-72				
BMLET-126	2-28-74	ML to change name			
(1)					
BRET-44	7-31-74	Renewal of license (L)			8-1-77
BRCETV-101	12-20-76	Remote control authority			
(1)					
BRET-44	7-14-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-80
BRET-	7-18-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-83
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING Non Comm Ed TV B/C

Call  
Letters N-Z-W AREA-TV

Name AREA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION FOUNDATION  
1910-Davis-Building, Dallas-2, Texas (Station L: Dallas, Texas)  
J. E. O. Cartwright, President, 3000 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas 4, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-75 Recd Filed	7-11-58 7-17-58 7-21-58	Construction Permit for a New Non-Commercial Educational Television broadcast station: Frequency: Ch. #13 210 - 216 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 57.2 kw, Aur. 28.6 kw Hours of Operation: Unlimited S-L: To be determined, Dallas, Texas  T-L: State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas Station L: Dallas, Texas (Vis. & Aur. GE TT-32-B) (538') Seymour Krieger, Attorney A. Earl Cullum Jr., Engrs.	GRANTED	7-30-58
BMPET-206 Recd. & filed	3-3-59 3-11-59	Mod. of CP (BPET-75, which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 3-30-59 to 9-30-59. Filed by Seymour Krieger, Atty.	GRANTED	3-23-59
BMPET-216 Recd. & Filed	9-10-59 9-14-59	Mod. of CP (BPET-75, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 9-30-59 to 3-30-60. Seymour Krieger, Atty.	GRANTED	9-22-59

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Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Non-Comm Educational TV B/C

Call  
Letters **XERA-TV**

Name **AREA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION FOUNDATION**  
**Dallas, Texas**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-221 R & F	1-8-60 1-11-60	Modification of CP (BPET-75 as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm Educa TV B/C station) to change ERP from Vis. 57.5 kw, Aur. 28.8 kw, to Vis. 108 kw, Aur. 54 KW Change transmitter location from State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas and Studio location from To be determined, Dallas, Texas to 3000 Harry Hines Boulevard, Dallas, Texas Install new transmitters, RCA TT-10AH and new antenna system, RCA TF 12AH(S) make changes in equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 328' Filed by Seymour Krieger, Atty. Amended to correct geographic co-ordinates	GRANTED	1-27-60
Amended R & F	1-26-60 1-27-60			
BMPET- Recd.	6-21-60	Mod. of CP (BPET-75, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 7-25-60 to 9-15-60. Direct	RETURNED 6-22-60 (2 appls. filed: this one NOT Notarized or dated) SEE CARD #3	

SEE CARD #3

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING NON-COMM. EDUCATIONAL TV

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Name AREA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION FOUNDATION  
DALLAS, TEXAS

File No.	Date	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-228 Recd.&Filed	6-20-60 6-21-60	Mod. of CP (BPET-75, as mod., which authorized a new Non-Comm. ED TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 7-25-60 to 9-15-60. Filed by Norman E. Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED	6-27-60
BIET-53 Recd.&Filed	8-30-60 8-31-60	LICENSE to cover CP (BPET-75, as mod.) which authorized a new Non-Commercial Educational TV Broadcast Station. Norman E. Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED	8-1-62
BRET-44 Recd.&Filed	4-30-65 5-3-65	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Krieger & Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED	7-2-65
BMLET-73 Recd.&Filed	2-21-66 2-23-66	Modification of License to reduce Aural ERP from 53.7 kw to 10.8 kw. Krieger & Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED	3-4-66
BRET-44 Rec'd&Filed	4-29-68 5-2-68 MAY 8 1968	RENEWAL OF LICENSE KRIEGER & JORGENSEN (Norman E. Jorgensen) Atty.	GRANTED	7-22-68

P.C.C. WASHINGTON, D.C. - Stewart 4-18-69  
HEW application filed 4-16-69

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON COMM. TV

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## PUBLIC TELEVISION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS

Name **X** AREA EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION FOUNDATION

Ch. 13 Dallas, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-351 Rec. & filed PN RECD PRESS SEE OTHER SIDE	4-15-69 4-16-69 5-5-69 APR 28 1969	Construction permit to change ERP to Vis. 286 kw (Horz) Aur. 28.6 kw (Horz); transmitter location to 0.7 mi. S. of center of Cedar Hill, Texas (32 34 43 96 57 12); type of trans- mitter to GE TT-530 H; type of antenna to GE TY-98A (Custom); and increase antenna height above average terrain to 1542 ft. Req. waiver of Sec. 73.610 of Comm's Rules. AMENDED 5-1-69 to submit new Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4.	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION Condition: re type accepted eqpt.	6-18-69
BMLET-96 R & F PRESS	11-12-69 11-20-69 NOV 22 1969	ML to change name to Public Television Foundation for North Texas. Robert A. Woods, Atty. (Krieger & Jorgensen)	GRANTED	12-2-69
BMPET-645 R & F PRESS	1-8-70 1-14-70 JAN 23 1970	MP (BPET-351) to extend completion date to 8-18-70. Louis Schwartz, Atty. (Krieger & Jorgensen)	GRANTED	2-4-70

BPET-351

STATEMENT OF AMST filed 5-28-69

STATEMENT OF KERA-TV CONCERNING STATEMENT OF AMST filed 6-4-69

# NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name PUBLIC TELEVISION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS  
CH-13 DALLAS, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPET-674 R & F PRESS:	6-24-70 7-7-70 JUL 15 1970	MP(BPET-351 as mod.) to extend completion date to October 1970.  Atty.: Louis Schwartz (Krieger & Jorgensen)	GRANTED	7-16-70
Schwartz & Woods now represents KERA-TV				
LTR.	10-7-70 OCT 12 1970	Req. waiver of Sec. 73.651(c) of Comm's Rules to permit station to accompany its visual transmission of slides, films, or other visual images with aural transmission of music during scheduled breaks in its in-school programming schedule.	GRANTED	10-12-70
HEW application filed 10-16-70				
BPET-405 R & F PRESS:	2-8-71 2-10-71 FEB 10 1971	CP to replace expired (BPET-351 as mod.) for chgs. Atty.: <u>Schwartz &amp; Woods</u>	GRANTED	2-18-71

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

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Letters **KERA-TV**

Name  
CH-13 **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS**  
**PUBLIC TELEVISION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS**  
**DALLAS, TEXAS**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLET-275 R & F PRESS:	1-29-71 2-1-71 FEB 24 1971	Lic. to cover (BPET-405 as reins.) for chgs. Atty.: Schwartz & Woods	GRANTED	5-26--71
BRET-44 Rec. & filed PN Recd PRESS	4-12-71 4-29--71 4-29-71 MAY 20 1971	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Schwartz & Woods	GRANTED	7-29-71
LTR.	6-1-72 JUN 13 1972	Req. authority to identify station as Dallas-Fort Worth.	GRANTED	6-21-72
BMLET-126 R & F PRESS:	2-12-74 2-13-74	ML to change name to PUBLIC COMMUNICATION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS ATTY: Louis Schwartz (Schwartz & Woods)	GRANTED	2-28-74

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMMERCIAL ED. TV.

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Letters **KERA-TV**

Name **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION FOUNDATION FOR NORTH TEXAS**  
**CH-13 Dallas, Texas**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-44 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS: MAY 14 1974	3-6-74 4-24-74 4-24-74	Renewal of License Atty: Louis Schwartz (Schwartz & Woods)	GRANTED	7-31-74
BRCETV-101 R & F Press:	11-8-76 11-8-76 2 DEC 1976	Request for authority to operate transmitter by remote control from: 3000 Harry Hines Boulevard, Dallas, Texas Atty: Lawrence M. Miller (Schwartz & Wood)	GRANTED	12-20-76
BRET-44 R&F PN RECD PRESS APR 15 1977	2-14-77 4-1-77 4-1-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Louis Schwartz (Schwartz & Woods)	GRANTED	7-14-77

NON-COMMERCIAL ED TV  
Call Letters: KERA-TV

Station Location: DALLAS, TEXAS

Form BC-121  
March 1979

## 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 radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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 television station history.

