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NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-31-76 (#252)

**CH 22**

Call letters WAPB

Station location ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

Name of licensee THE MARYLAND PUBLIC BROADCASTING COMMISSION

Transmitter location Crownsville Hosp. Grds., 1.2 mi. SSW of Crownsville, Md.

Main studio location Bonita Ave., Owings Mills, Md.

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPET-465	7-8-74	Ch-22	V-3890kW	Unl.	9-8-74
AH: 870' MSL: 1000'		518-524	A-389kW		1-8-76
CP for new noncommercial educational TV station. -----					
BPET-465 (1)	8-19-74	Call letters assigned			
EBSA	8-19-74				
WIRE	7-14-75	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper. W A P B on program test accord. Sect. 73.629 rules and CP BPET-465.			
BLET-381	3-31-76	Ch. 22	V. 3890 kW	U	10-1-78
AH: 870' MSL: 1000'		518-524	A. 389 kW		
Lic (BPET-465) for a new station					
BRET-252	9-26-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			10-1-81

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV  
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters ~~NEW EDUC-TV~~

CH-22 Name THE MARYLAND PUBLIC BROADCASTING COMMISSION  
(PO c/o Dr. Frederick Breitenfeld, Bonita Ave., Owings Mills, MD 21117)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPET-465 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	10-17-73	CP for new Educ. TV on: Freq.: Ch-22, 518-524MHz	GRANTED	7-8-74
	10-19-73	ERP: Vis. 5000kW, Aur. 500kW; HAAT: 874 ft. Hrs. of Oper.: Proposed Satellite of W M P B, Ch-67, Baltimore, Maryland TL: Crownsville Hosp. Grds., 1.2 mi. SSW of Crownsville, Md. (39-00-36 76-36-33) Trans.: Gates BT-220U Ant.: RCA TPU-28G STATION LOCATION: ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND		
	NOV 13 1973 1-8-74	Atty.: <u>Schwartz &amp; Woods</u> Engr.: R. S. Duncan (Reisterstown, Maryland)		
		AMENDED 12-26-73 re financial		
		AMENDED 2-26-74 re FAA copies		
		AMENDED 3-25-74 re additional information		
		AMENDED 4-26-74 re financial and equal employment		

David Graham

Bonita Avenue

Owings Mills, Maryland 21117

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W A P BName THE MARYLAND PUBLIC BROADCASTING COMMISSION  
CH-22 Annapolis, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLET-381 R & F no fee required PRESS:	7-1-75 7-2-75 31 JUL 1975	License to cover (BPET-465) for a new station. Atty: Louis Schwartz (Schwartz & Woods)	GRANTED	3-31-76
BRET-252 R&F PN RECD PRESS	4-24-78 5-26-78 5-26-78 JUN 13 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Louis Schwartz	GRANTED	9-26-78
BRET- 810601KE R&F PN REC'D	5-1-81 5-1-81 5-1-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: MALCOLM G. STEVENSON {SCHWARTZ, WOODS, AND MILLER}		

LETTER 9-16-80 by Lawrence D. Miller for Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission, re:  
engineering.

## 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.

