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June 1954

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CH 27
WKP
BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-30-71 (Off. #736)

Call letters W K P D (Eff. 2-28-71)
X WKP-TV

Station location Paducah, Kentucky

Name of licensee THE KENTUCKY AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION (AL 1-30-78; Eff:
X WDXR TV, INC. (BAPCT-476 11-19-70 EFF:
X E. WEAKE McKINNEY-SMITH AND GEORGE T. BAILEY d/b as CHANNEL 29

2 miles NE of Melber, Kentucky (BMPCT-7131 10-6-70)
X Approximately 10 miles SW of Paducah, Near Melber, Kentucky (BMPCT-6645 4-23-68)
Transmitter location X Coleman Road and Illinois Central Railroad, 2 miles West of Paducah, Ky.

Main studio location Kentucky Avenue at 4th St., Paducah, Ky. (BMPCT-7131 10-6-70)
X Hotel Irvin Cobb, Paducah, Kentucky

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPCT-3789 AH:610'	1-30-67	CH-29 560-566	V-22.4 kw A-32.4 kw	U	3-30-67 9-30-67
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR A NEW COMMERCIAL TV B/C STATION. CP ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS.					
BPCT-3788	3-24-67	same	same	same	3-30-67
Mod. of CP. CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED					
BMPCT-6615	4-23-68	Ch. 29	V-380 kw	U	10-23-68
BMPCT-6645	"	AH:920'	560-566 A-55 kw	MSL:1373	10-23-68
MP (BPCT-3789) to Chg. ERP, TL, type antenna, AH, Extend date					
BMPCT-7131	10-6-70	Ch. 29	V. 759 kw	U	3-30--67
BMPCT-6917		560-566	A. 110		4-6--71
AH: 710' MSL: 1141.5'					
MP(BPCT-3789) chg. ERP, trans., ant. HAAT					
BAPCT-476	11-19-70	Vol. A/CP			
BMPCT-7304	4-8-71	MP(BPCT-3789 as mod.)			10-8-71
to ext. compl. date (1)					
WIRE	4-28-71	Auth. to oper. remote control			
WIRE	5-21-71	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR.			
OPER. ON PTA ACCORD CP BMPCT-7131 and BMPCT-6917 EXCEPT WITH RCA TYPE TTU30A ANT. MOD. FOR 0.5 DEGREE ELECTRICAL BEAM TILT AND VIS. AND AUR. ERP OF 27.6 DKB (575 KW) AND 19.3 DKB (85.1KW) RESPECTIVELY.					
BLCT-2085	9-30-71	Ch. 29	V. 575 kw	U	9-30-71
AH:710' MSL:1141.5' 560-566 A. 85.1					
LIC #BPCT-3789 as mod) for a new station					
CRSA	5-25-72				
BRCTV-141	10-29-73	Remote control authority.			
Wire sent; not issued; to be issued with Renewal.					
BCT-4077	12-7-73	CP to chg trans.			(L) 2-7-74
CP rendered license appl. null					

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June 1964

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WDYR-TVStation location Paducah, Ky.Name of licensee WDYR TV, INC.

SEE CARD # 1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
WIRE	4-3-74	Re Tendered Lic. Appl.,			auth. grtd. oper WDXR-TV on Prog. test accord. Sect. 73.629 rules and CP BPCT-4677.
BTC-7381	5-22-74	Voluntary transfer of control.			
BPCT-736	7-30-74	Renewal of license (3)			8-1-76
BTC-7582	12-19-74	Voluntary Transfer of control			
BLCT-2290	12-20-74	Lic(BPCT-4677) for chgs.			8-1-76
Wire	10-31-75	Pending resolution financial difficulties, auth. grtd. remain silent temp. per. end. 1-31-76. This authorization is subj. to subsequent filing of written certification that required twr. lighting is being <u>maintained</u> . <u>Advis when oper. resumes.</u>			
Wire	3-2-76	Auth. grtd. remain silent temp. per. end 5-31-76. Conditioned on submission info. w/in 30 days <u>steps taken looking to resume normal oper.</u>			
Wire	8-9-76	Above extended to 10-31-76. No further extension is contemplated unless application submitted.			
WIRE	11-1-76	Above extended to			1-31-77
WIRE	1-31-77	Above auth. extended to			3-31-77
WIRE	4-13-77	Auth. extended WDXR-TV remain silent temporarily period ending 6-31, 1977. Any further extension predicated upon continued progress toward transfer.			
WIRE	6-30-77	Above auth. exted. to 9-29-77.			
WIRE	9-30-77	Above auth. extended to 12-28-77.			
BALCT-624	1-30-78	VOL. ML			
BPCT-5020	2-6-78	Ch-29	560-566 MHz.	U	
		AH: 500 ft. MSL: 891.4'	V. 132kW	A. 13.2kW	8-6-79
		CP to chg. ERP, TL, SL, TRANS., ANTENNA & HAAT.			
BMPET-790813KI	4-7-80	MP (BPCT-5020) to chg.			10-7-80
		ERP, Trans. Ant. & HAAT.			
BRCT-800110KO	5-22-80	Remote control authorization			

CARD NO. 3

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed 9-30-71

Call Letters WKPD-TV

Station Location PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

THE KENTUCKY AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

Name

Transmitter Location 2 MILES NE OF MELBER, KENTUCKY

Main studio location KENTUCKY AVENUE AT 4TH ST., PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BRCT-73b	5-5-81	RENEWAL OF LIC. (S)	8-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call
Letters NEW-400R-TVName B WEAKS McKINNEY-SMITH AND GEORGE T. BAILEY d/b/a CHANNEL 29
(P.O. HOTEL IRVIN COBB, PADUCAH, KENTUCKY 42001)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3789 R & F	5-27-66	Construction Permit for a New Comm. TV B/C Stations: CH.# 29 560-566 mc ERP: Visual 223 Aural 32.4 kw Unlimited TL: Coleman Road & Illinois Central RR, Paducah, Kentucky SL: Hotel Irvin Cobb, Paducah, Kentucky (RCA TTU-12A) AH: 614 feet STATION LOCATION: PADUCAH, KENTUCKY Miller & Schroeder, Atty. Ralph J. Bitzer, Engr. (298 Arcade Bldg. St. Louis, Missouri)	GRANTED	1-30-67
	5-27-66			
BMPCT-6615 R & F SEP 1967	8-28-67	Modification of CP(BPCT-3789, which auth. a new station) to extend completion date to Miller and Schroeder, Atty. (Arthur H. Schroeder)	GRANTED	4-23-68 Issued with BMPCT-6645
	8-31-67			

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Letters WDZM-TV

Name E. WEAKS MCKINNEY-SMITH AND GEORGE T. BAILEY, d/b as CHANNEL 29
CH-29 Paducah, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-6645 R & F OCT 12 1967	9-29-67 10-4-67	Modification of BP(BPCT-3789, which auth. a new station) to make the following changes: ERP to Visual 382 kw, Aural 55.4 kw; trans. location to 2 miles Northeast of Melber, Ky.; type antenna to RCA TFU-45J; antenna struc.; antenna system and increase antenna height above average terrain to 924 feet. Miller and Schroeder, Atty. (Arthur H. Schroeder)	GRANTED issued with BMPCT-6615	4-23-68
BMPCT-6917 R & F PRESS OCT 1 1968	9-18-68 9-23-68	MP (BPCT-3789, as mod.) to extend completion date to _____ Miller, <u>Schroeder</u> & Bankson, Atty.	630.0460285 GRANTED issued with BMPCT-7131	9-23-68 10-6-70
AMEND. R & F	7-11-69	Re update application. AMENDED 10-17-69 to update information AMENDED 12-22-69 to update information.		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WDXR-TVName E. WEAKS MCKINNEY-SMITH AND GEORGE T. BAILEY d/b as CHANNEL 29
Ch. 29 Paducah, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-7131 Rec. & Filed \$30 563865 PRESS PN RECD	12-12-69 12-15-69 12-15-69 DEC 4 1969	MP (BPCT-3789 as mod) to chg. ERP to Vis. 753 kw, Aur. 100 kw; transmitter location to 2 miles NE of Nelber, Ky. (36 57 42 N 88 41 22 W); studio location to Kentucky Avenue at 4th St., Paducah, Ky; type of transmitter to RCA TTU-30A; type of antenna to RCA TFU-30U; and HAAT to 708 ft. Arthur H. Schroeder (Miller, Schroeder) Atty. Ralph J. Bitzer, Engr. Amended 7-6-70 re financial. AMENDED 9-18-70 re financial	GRANTED issued with BMPCT-6917	10-6-70
BAPCT-476 R & F #641135 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS:	10-27-70 11-2-70 11-2-70 NOV 6 1970	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to WDXR TV, Inc. Atty.: Miller, Schroeder & <u>Hankson</u>	GRANTED EFF:	11-19-70

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WDXR-TV

WDXR TV, INC.

Name KE. WEAKS MCKINNEY-SMITH AND GEORGE T. BAILEY d/b as CHANNEL 29
Ch. 29 Paducah, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
Ltr.	3-22-71	Req. auth. to operate remote control.	GRANTED	4-28-71
BMPCT-7304 R & F #673985 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	3-18-71 3-22-71 3-22-71	MP(BPCT-3789 as mod.) to extend completion date to 6-5-71. Atty.: Miller, <u>Schroeder</u>	GRANTED	4-8-71
BLCT-2085 R & F #504127 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	5-6-71 5-7-71 5-7-71	Lic. to cover (BPCT-3789 as mod.) for new station. Atty.: Miller, Schroeder & <u>Bankson</u> Amended 6-14-71 re engr. data. Amended 9-24-71 re Sec. VI.	GRANTED	9-30-71

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters WDXR-TV

Name WDXR TV, INC.
CH-29 PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCTV-141 R & F #158208 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	2-26-73 3-1-73 3-1-73 MAR 21 1973	Request authority to operate trans. by remote control from 400 Kentucky Avenue, Paducah, Kentucky. Atty: John P. Bankson, Jr. (Miller, Schroeder & Bankson) Amended 10-9-73 re engineer-ing.	GRANTED	10-29-73 Wire sent; not issued; to be issued with Renewal
BRCT-736 R & F PN Recd. PN Recd. PRESS:	5-1-73 5-3-73 5-3-73 5-23-73 MAY 15 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Miller, Schroeder & Bankson Atty: A. Schroeder AMENDED 10-31-73 re equal employment	GRANTED	8-30-74
BPGT-4677 R & F #240722 \$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	10-5-73 10-9-73 10-9-73 NOV 4 1973	CP to change type transmitter to RCA T1U90B. Atty: Arthur Schroeder (Miller, Schroeder & Bankson)	GRANTED	12-7-73 See over for condition

BPCT-4677 - condition:

This authorization is without prejudice to whatever action the Commission may deem appropriate with respect to the pending license renewal application (BPCT-736) for station WDXR-TV.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WDXR-TV
Letters

WDXR TV, INC.

Name
CH-29 PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-7381 R & F #293561 \$250 AC: 051 FORM 316 PRESS:	3-15-74 3-20-74 3-20-74 MAR 28 1974	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from E. Weaks McKinney-Smith to Lady Sarah McKinney-Smith, Executrix of the Estate of E. Weaks McKinney-Smith, Deceased Atty: William M Barnard (Miller and Schroeder)	GRANTED	5-22-74 EFF:
BLCT- 2290 R & F #298383 \$50. AC: 058 PRESS:	3-20-74 3-27-74 MAY 15 1974	License to cover (BPCIT-4677) for chgs. (William M. Barnard)(Miller and Shroeder)	GRANTED	12-20 74

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters WDXR-TV

Name WDXR-TV, INC.
CH-29 PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-7582 R & F #360821 \$1,000. A-: 051 PRESS (Form 315) GRANT FEE: \$178.00 GRANT FEE PAID: 1-6-75	10-30-74 11-4-74 NOV 15 1974	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from George T. Bailey to Lady Sarah McKinney-Smith. Atty.: William M. Barnard (Miller and Schroeder)	GRANTED EFF: 12-31-74	12-19-74
BRCT-736 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	3-23-76 3-31-76 8 APR 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE No Contours Filed. Annual Reports Filed Atty: William M. Barnard (Miller and Schroeder)	GRANTED	5-5-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters WDXR-TV

THE KENTUCKY AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

Name WDXR-TV, INC.CH-29 PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	AGS LOG	
			Nature	Date
BALCT-622 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D: (Form 314)	1-19-77 2-8-77 2-24-77 3-4-77	Voluntary assignment of license to The Kentucky Authority for Educational Television. Atty.: William M. Barnard (Miller and Schroeder) AMENDED 4-4-77 re Section III, additional info. Amended 2-14-78 re financial	GRANTED Eff:	1-30-78 2-20-78
<p>Conditions: The authority granted herein is subject to the following conditions: (1) That the assignment of license covered by BALCT-622 be consummated within sixty (60) days of the date of grant, that the Commission be notified of such consummation within one day thereafter and that the station resume broadcasting within sixty (60) days after consummation of the grant of this application. (2) The licensee shall submit to the Commission within ninety (90) days of resumption of operation a full proof of performance containing data requested by Section II-C of FCC Form 302.</p>				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters WKPD
X WDXR-TV

Name WDXR TV, INC.
CH-29 PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	ACTION	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-5020 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	2-25-77 3-4-77 MAR 23 1977 4-11-77	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 153.2kW(Max), Aur. 15.32kW(Max); chg. TL to Coleman Rd., nr. Cecil, 2 mi. NW of city limits of Paducah, Ky. (37-05-38 88-40-19); SL to 600 Cooper Dr., Lexington, Ky.; type trans. to RCA TTU-300; type ant. to RCA TPU-6J (BT); and HAAT 500 ft. MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION CONTINGENT ON GRANT OF BALCT-622 TO THE KENTUCKY AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION. Atty.: William M. Barnard (Miller and Schroeder)	granted	2-6-78

2-28-78

NONCOMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL TV
APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W K P D

Name: THE KENTUCKY AUTHORITY FOR EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

CH-29

Station Location: PADUCAH, KY

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPET-790813KI R & F	8-8-79 8-13-79	MP(BPCT-5020) to chg. ERP to Vis. 145.8kW, Aur. 14.5kW; chg. type trans. to Harris BT-30U; chg. type ant. to Andrew TAZ-31U (BT); and HAAT 518 ft.	GR. 4-7-80
BRCET-800110KO R & F	1-7-80 1-10-80	Request authority to operate trans. by remote control from W K M A, 2.4 miles East of St. Charles, KY.	GRANTED 5-22-80

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 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 television station history.

