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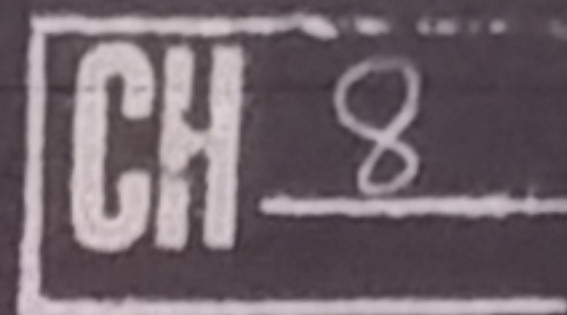
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1st CO 1-4-56 (approx. 1-10-56)

COMMERCIAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-30-60 (#503)



Call letters KGNS-TV

Station location LAREDO, TEXAS

Name of licensee GULF COAST BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 10-11-77; Eff: 11-1-77)
X WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (BAPLCT-102 6-25-70; Eff: 7-1-70)

Transmitter location 0.8 mi. N. of Islitas, Tex.

Main studio location On US Hwy. #83, 2 mi. S. of State Hwy. #359, Laredo, Tex.

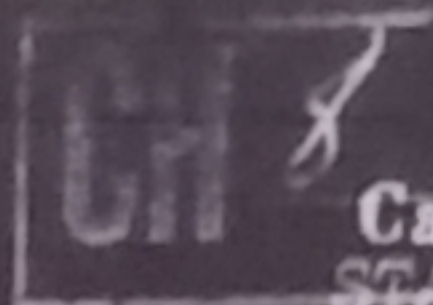
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First C.O. 1-4-56 (Started approx. 1-10-56) COMM. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Card # 1

Date first licensed ~~9-30-60~~ (OFFICIAL NO. 503)



KGNS-TV Eff. 9-19-58

Call letters

STATION LOCATION: LAREDO, TEXAS

X WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (BAPLCT-102 6-25-70 EFF: 7-1-70)

X SOUTHWESTERN OPERATING COMPANY (BMPCT-5160 8-14-58)

X SOUTHWESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY (BAPCT-253 7-30-58 EFF: 9-1-58)

Name of licensee X H.C. AVERY, JR. AND DAVID H. COLE, d/b as VIDICON INDUSTRIES OF AMERICA

0.8 miles North of Islitas, Texas (BMPCT-6319 9-30-66)

X ON U.S. HIGHWAY 83, 2 MILES SOUTH OF STATE HIGHWAY 359, LAREDO, TEXAS (BPCT-3472 3-2-66)

X 820 Convent Avenue, Laredo, Texas (BMPCT-5338, 8-27-59)

X Hamilton Hotel, Salinas Avenue & Houston St. Laredo, Texas (BMPCT-3496 11-18-55)

Transmitter location X 820 Convent Ave., Laredo, Texas

ON U.S. HIGHWAY 83, 2 MILES SOUTH OF STATE HIGHWAY 359, LAREDO, TEXAS (BPCT-3472 3-2-66)

Main studio location X 820 Convent Ave., Laredo, Texas

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPCT-1982	7-30-55	Ch. # 8	V 28.2kw	U	9-20-55
		180-186	A 15.8kw		3-20-56
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station. (240')					
BMPCT-3496	11-18-55	same	V-2.29 kw	same	9-20-55
			A-1.15 kw		3-20-56
AH 160 ft. Mod. CP (BPCT-1982) to chg. TL, ERP, install new transmitters & Antenna System & make other equipment changes					
WIRE	1-4-56	STA granted to operate Comm. basis accord.			
CP (BMPCT-3496) except ERP 0.297 kw visual, 0.149 kw Aur. Authorization expires 1-20-56 pending rec't of verified request.					
WIRE	1-10-56	LXT. STA gr. opr. KHAD-TV Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-3496 except ERP 0.297 kw Vis, 0.149 kw Aur. Auth. expires 3-20-56			
BMPCT-3570	1-12-56	same	V. 2.14kw	same	9-20-55
(150)			A. 1.07kw		3-20-56
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod.) to change ERP ERP and make minor equipment changes. (Also see letter 1-17-56)					
WIRE	3-19-56	Necessary you file appli. on FCC Form 701 for ext. CP accord. Section 3.627 Rules. Pending receipt and consideration Form 701, ext. auth. granted operate temp. for per. ending 3-31-56 Comm. Basis accord. CP (BMPCT-3496) except ERP 0.297kw visual, 0.149kw aural.			
BMPCT-3854	4-3-56	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod.) to extend compl. dt. 5-20-56					
WIRE	4-3-56	Pending completion of constr., ext. of auth. granted to oper. temp. for per. ending 5-20-56 Comm. Basis accord. CP (BMPCT-3854), except ERP 0.297kw Visual, 0.149 Aural.			
WIRE	4-13-56	Pending filing of Lic. Appl., mod. authority gr. to Opr. KHAD-TV Temp. Per. end. 5-20-56, Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-3854.			
BMPCT-3928	5-18-56	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod.) to ext. Compl. dt. 7-20-56					
WIRE	5-21-56	Ext. Auth. granted to operate Comm. Basis accord. CP BMPCT-3928 pending lic. filing period 7-20-56			
WIRE	7-23-56	Ext. ABOVE PERIOD to 8-8-56			

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CARD #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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SOUTHWESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY (BAPCT-253 7-30-58 EFF: 9-1-58)

Name of licensee H. C. AVERY, JR. AND DAVID H. COLE, d/b as VIDICON INDUSTRIES OF AMERICA

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-
BMPCT-4124	8-6-56	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. of CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to extend completion dt. 1-20-57					
WIRE	8-6-56	Pending filing of lic. appli., ext. auth. granted to operate temp. for period ending 1-20-57 Comm. Basis accord. CP(BMPCT-4124).			
BMPCT-4431	1-9-57	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to extend completion dt. 7-20-57					
WIRE	1-9-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD, MPCT-4431 to 7-20-57			
BMPCT-4767	7-12-57	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1982 as mod.) to extend completion dt. 1-20-58					
WIRE	7-26-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD MPCT-4767 to 1-20-58			
WIRE	1-8-58	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. GRANT COMM. BASIS OPER. ACCORD, MPCT-4972 PERIOD END 7-20-58			
BMPCT-4972	12-31-57	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to extend completion date 7-20-58					
BMPCT-5129	6-30-58	Same	Same	Same	9-20-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to ext. completion dt. 1-20-59					
BMPCT-251	7-30-58	Voluntary assignment of permittee corporation from H.C. Avery, Jr. and David H. Cole d/b as Vidicon Industries of America to: SOUTHWESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY. EFF: 9-1-58			
WIRE	8-7-58	PENDING FILING OF LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OR. TO OPER. KHAD-TV IN ACCORD. CP(BMPCT-5129) PERIOD ENDING 10-20-58.			
BMPCT-5129	7-14-58	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to chg. corporate name					
BMPCT-5235	1-12-59	CH 20	100-150	A-1.0	9-20-55
Mod. CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to ext. completion date 1-20-59					
WIRE	6-9-59	PENDING FILING OF LIC. APPL. AUTH. OR. TO OPER. KHAD-TV TEMP. FOR PER. END. 7-19-59 ACCORD. CP			
BMPCT-5285	1-27-59	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. of CP(BPCT-1982, as mod) to ext. comp. dt. 7-20-59					

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CARD # 3

COMM. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed ~~9-30-60~~ (OFFICIAL NO. 503)

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Station location _____

Name of licensee SEE CARD # 1

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location SEE CARD # 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time	Period
				Div.	From- To-
BMPCT-5333	7-8-59	same	same	same	9-20-55
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod) to extend compl. da. 10-17-59					
WIRE	7-16-59	PENDING FILING OF LIC. APPL., EXT. AUTH.			
GR. OPR.	KGNS-TV	TEMP. FOR PER. END. 10-17-59			ACCORDANCE
CP BMPCT-5333.					
BMPCT-5338	8-27-59	CH #8	V-6 kw	U	9-20-55
AH: 170'		180-186	A-3 kw	MSL: 656'	2-27-60
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod) to chg. ERP, type transm.,					
redescribe TL, chg. antenna structure, AH.					
WIRE	10-15-59	PENDING COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION, EXT.			
AUTH. GR. OPR.	KGNS-TV	TEMP. FOR PER. END. 1-17-60			ACCORD.
CP BMPCT-5338, EXCEPT USING FACILITIES SPECIF. IN BMPCT-5235					
WIRE	12-30-59	PENDING FILING OF LIC. APP, MOD. AUTH.			
GR OPR.	TEMP PERIOD ENDING	1-31-60			ACCORD CP BMPCT-5338
WIRE	1-27-60	Ext. of above to 2-27-60			
WIRE	2-18-60	PROGRAM TESTS ACCORD. MPCT-5338 AUTH.			
BLCT-1013	9-30-60	CH #8	V-6 kw	U	9-30-60
		180-186	A-3 kw		8-1-62
LIC. TO COVER BPCT-1982 AS MODIFIED					
BRCT-503	3-15-63	Same	Same	Same	3-15-63
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPCT-3335	5-22-64	CH.8	V-6 kw	U	7-22-64
AH: 170'	MSL: 656'	180-186	A-0.71 kw		1-22-65
CP to reduce Aural ERP, & chg. type of AURAL Trans.					
WIRE	8-17-64	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXTENSION AUTH.			
GR. OPERATE	KGNS-TV	TEMP. PER. END. 9-17-64			WITH REDUCED
AURAL POWER ACCORD. CONSTRUCTION PERMIT BPCT-3335. FURTHER					
EXTENSIONS OF THIS AUTH. WOULD NOT APPEAR WARRANTED IN					
ABSENCE OF APPLICATION FOR LIC. TO COVER CP BEING FILED					
WITHIN THIS PERIOD.					
WIRE	9-21-64	AS TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPR.			
KGNS-TV	ON PROGRAM	TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.529 RULES & CONST.			
PERMIT BPCT-3335.					
WIRE	9-21-64	AS TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPR.			
KGNS-TV	ON PROGRAM	TEST ACCORD. SECTION 73.529 RULES & CONST.			
CP BPCT-3335.					

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COMM. TV B/C

CARD #4

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location LOREDO, TEXAS

Name of licensee X H.C. AVERY, JR. AND DAVID H. COLE d/b/a VIDICON INDUSTRIES OF AMERICA

Transmitter location X 820 Convent Ave., Laredo, Texas

Main studio location See Card #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BLCT-1404	10-19-64	CH. #8	V-6kw	U	10-19-64
AH: 170' MSL: 656'		180-186	A-0.71kw		8-1-65
License to cover CP (BPCT-3335)					

ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 7-21-65					

BPCT-5472	5-2-66	CH. #8	V-107 kw	U	5-2-66
DOCKET NO. 16308		180-186	A-21.4 kw		11-2-66
AH: 400' MSL: 1000'					
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT to change ERP, TL, SL, type of transmitter Antenna and All.					

DOCKET NO. 16308	5-25-66	same	same	same	5-25-66
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPCT-503					8-1-68
BPCT-6319	9-30-66	CH. #8	V-21.1kw (DA)	U	5-2-66
AH: 1020' MSL: 1549'		180-186	A-42.2 kw (DA)		11-2-66
Mod. of CP (BPCT-5472) to change ERP; TL; SL; type of trans. type of antennas; change antenna structure and All.					

WIRE 6-16-67 RE TENDERED LIC. APPLICATION, PENDING FILING COMPLETE AURAL PROOF-OF-PERFORMANCE AUTH. GR. OPERATE KONS-TV TEMPORARILY PERIOD END. 7-31-67 ACCORD BPCT-6319.					

WIRE 8-1-67 PENDING FILING COMPLETE AURAL PROOF-OF-PERFORMANCE AS AMENDMENT TO LICENSE APPLICATION BLCT-1696 EXTEN. AUTH. GR. OPER. KONS-TV TEMP. PERIOD ENDING 8-31-67 ACCORD, BPCT-6319.					

WIRE 8-15-68 RE TENDERED LIC. APPLIC. PENDING FILING COMPLETE AURAL PROOF-OF-PERFORMANCE AUTH. GR. OPER. KONS-TV TEMP. PERIOD ENDING 8-31-68 ACCORD, BPCT-6319.					

BPCT-503	7-23-68	(S)	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		6-1-71

BLCT-1735	10-4-68	CH. #8	V-6 kw		8-1-71
AH: 170' MSL: 656'		180-186	A-0.71 kw		
AUXILIARY TRANS. & ANTENNA.					
LICENSE TO COVER FORMERLY IN CP (BLCT-1404)					

BPCT-102	8-23-68	VOL. ALL			
BLCT-1899	8-23-68	LIC. CPCT-5472			
BPCT-503	7-23-68	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-71
A(S) Main Trans. & Ant. Aux. Trans. & Ant.					

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COMM. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location Loredo, Texas

Name of licensee WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, 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-
BMLCT-758 (1) Main Trans. & Ant.	4-23-73	ML to chg studio location			
BMLCT-758 (1) Aux. Trans. & Ant.	4-23-73	ML to chg studio location			
WIRE auth. grtd. oper. 7-1-77/	5-3-77	Pend. repair replcaement of trans. KGNS-TV at reduced pwr. temp. per. end.			
WIRE	6-30-77	Above extended to 7-8-77.			
WIRE	8-2-77	Above auth. extended to 9-6-77.			
BRCT-503	9-7-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L) (MAIN TRANS. & ANT. ONLY)			8-1-80
WIRE grtd. oper. 9-6-77.	8-2-77	Pend. repair of trans., ext. auth KGNS-TV at reduced power templ. per. end.			
BALCT-662	10-11-77	Voluntary assignment of license.			
BRCT-503	9-7-77	Superseded to correct type transmitter			8-1-80
BRCT- 800401KU	7-28-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (\$) MAIN TRANS. & ANT; AUX. TRANS. & ANT.			8-1-83

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Name H. C. Avery, Jr. & David H. Cole, d/b as

VIDICON INDUSTRIES OF AMERICA

(P.O. Midland, Texas) or (c/o Ross K. Prescott, 1430 Life of America Bldg.,
H. C. Avery, Jr. Dallas, Texas)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1982 Recd & filed	4-30-55 5-3-55	CP for a new commercial TV b/c station Freq: Ch # 8, 180-186 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 28.2 kw, Aur. 16.1 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited T-L: 820 Convent Avenue, Laredo, Texas S-L: 830 Convent Avenue, Laredo, Texas (Vis & Aur. DuMont 8000) (240.8) Filed by Ross K. Prescott, Atty.	GRANTED	7-20-55
BMPCT-3496 Recd. & Filed	10-20-55 10-24-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to change T-L from 820 Convent Ave., Laredo, Texas to Hamilton Hotel, Salinas Ave. & Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, change ERP from Vis. 28.2 kw, Aur. 15.8 kw to Vis. 2.27 kw, Aur. 1.15 kw, install new transmit- ters and antenna system and make other equip- ment changes. (Gates Radio Co. BT-1A) (164.8') Filed direct.	GRANTED	11-18-55

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H. C. Avery, Jr. & David H. Cole, d/b as

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Name VIDICON INDUSTRIES OF AMERICA
(Laredo, Texas)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-3496 AMENDED Recd.	11-15-55 11-21-55	Amended to change Aur.ERP from 1.15 kw to 1.07 kw and to make further antenna and minor equipment changes. Tendered by Rosa K. Prescott, Atty.	Amendment only Returned to Atty. (Letter 11-22-55) Tendered too late for consideration with MPCT-3496, which was granted 11-18-55. (301s mailed)	
BMPCT-3570 Recd & filed	12-5-55 12-7-55	Modification of CP (BPCT-1982 as modified which authorized a new comm TV b/c station) to change Aural ERP from 1.15 kw to 1.07 kw and make minor equipment changes. (164.8') Filed by Rosa K. Prescott, Atty.	GRANTED	1-12-56
BMPCT-3854 Recd & Filed Ext.#1	3-28-56 3-30-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 3-20-56 to 5-20-56. Filed Direct	GRANTED	4-3-56
BMPCT-3928 Recd. & filed Ext.#2	5-14-56 5-16-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 5-20-56 to 7-20-56. Filed Direct.	GRANTED	5-18-56

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Name H. C. Avery, Jr. and David H. Cole, d/b as VIRICON INDUSTRIES OF AMERICA
(Laredo, Texas)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-4124 Recd & Filed Ext. # 3	7-18-56 7-20-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new COMM. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 7-20-56 to 1-20-57. Filed Direct.	GRANTED	8-6-56
BMPCT-4431 Recd & Filed Ext. #4	12-11-56 12-14-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 1-20-57 to 7-20-57. Filed Direct	GRANTED	1-4-57
BMPCT-4767 Recd. & filed Ext. # 5	7-2-57 7-8-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta) to extend completion date from 7-20-57 to 1-20-58.	GRANTED	7-12-57
BMPCT-4972 Recd. & filed Ext. # 6	12-19-57 12-23-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 1-20-58 to 7-20-58. Filed by Robert A. Marmet, Atty.	GRANTED	12-31-57
BMPCT-5129 Recd. & filed Ext. # 7	6-20-58 6-23-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 7-20-58 to 1-20-59. Filed by W. Irvin Simpson, Engr.	GRANTED	6-30-58

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SOUTHWESTERN OPERATING COMPANY (BMPCT-5160)

SOUTHWESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY (BAPCT-253-gr. 7-30-58)

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X H. C. AVERY JR. AND DAVID H. COLE, d/b as

Name Vidicon Industries of America

Laredo, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAPCT-253 Received & Filed	7-3-58	Voluntary assignment of permittee corporation from H. C. Avery, Jr. and David H. Cole d/b as Vidicon Industries of America TO: Southwestern Publishing Company Ross K. Prescott-atty. (1430 Life of America Bldg., Dallas, Texas)	GRANTED	7-30-58
	7-8-58		EFF:	9-1-58
	7-8-58			
BMPCT- Recd.	7-5-58	Mod. of CP (BMPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 7-20-58 to 10-18-58. Filed direct.	Returned	7-16-58 as unnecessary.
	7-7-58			
BMPCT-5160 Recd & Filed	8-4-58	Modification of CP (BMPCT-1982, as modified, which authorized a new Comm TV B/C station) to change Corporate name to Southwestern Operating Company. Ross K. Prescott, Atty.	GRANTED	8-14-58
	8-5-58			
BMPCT-5235 Recd. & filed	12-13-58	Mod. of CP (BMPCT-1982, as mod.) which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 1-20-59 to 4-20-59. Filed direct	GRANTED	1-12-59
	12-17-58			

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LAREDO, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-5285 Recd. & Filed	3-17-59 3-19-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod. which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 4-20-59 to 7-19-59. Filed direct.	GRANTED	4-17-59
BMPCT-5333 Recd. & Filed	6-8-59 6-23-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1982, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 7-19-59 to 10-17-59. Andrew G. Haley-atty	GRANTED	7-8-59

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Laredo, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-5338 Rec. & filed	6-17-59 6-23-59	Modification of CP (BPCT-1982, as modified, which authorized a new station) to change ERP from Vis. 2.14 kw Aur. 1.07 kw TO Vis. 6.0 kw; Aur. 3.0 kw; change type transmitters to RCA TT-2AH; redescribe transmitter location as 820 Convent Avenue, Laredo, Texas (no change in coordinates); change antenna structure and antenna height above average terrain to 171 feet. Andrew G. Haley-atty Hammett & Edison-engr. of San Francisco, Calif.	GRANTED	8-27-59
BLCT-1013 R & F	2-8-60 2-17-60	License to cover CP (BPCT-1982 as mod.) which authorized a new Commercial TV b/c station Filed by Andrew G. Haley, Atty.	GRANTED	9-30-60
BRCT-503 Recd. Amended Recd & filed	4-18-62 5-2-62 5-10-62 5-15-62	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Andrew G. Haley, Atty.	GRANTED	3-15-63

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LAREDO, TEXAS

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3335 R & F	5-8-64 5-12-64	Construction permit to reduce Aural ERP from 9 kw to 0.67 kw and change type of Aural Transmitter to RCA TT-500B. Andrew G. Haley-atty	GRANTED	5-22-64
BLCT-1404 Recd. & Filed	9-15-64 9-17-64	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3335) which authorized changes in existing station. Andrew G. Haley, Atty.	GRANTED	10-19-64
BPCT-3472 Recd. & Filed	12-2-64 12-4-64	Construction permit to change ERP from Vis. 6 KW, Aur. 0.71 kw to Vis. 107 Kw, Aur. 21.4 kw; transmitter and studio location to US Highway 83, 2 miles south of State Highway 359, Laredo, Texas; type of transmitter to RCA, TF-11AH; type of antenna to RCA, TF-12AH; make changes in antenna structure; and increase antenna height above average terrain to 478 ft. Haley, Bader & Potts; atty	DESIGNATED FOR HEARING 11-22-65 DOC. #16309 SEVERED FROM HEARING AND GRANTED 3-2-66 DOCKET #16309. MEMO OPINION & ORDER ADOPTED	

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-503 Recd&Filed	5-6-65 5-10-65	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Haley, Bader & Potts, Atty.	DESIGNATED FOR HEARING 11-22-65 DOC.# 16308 GRANTED by COMMISSION ORDER MAY 25, 1966	
BMPCT-6319 R & F	6-11-66 6-13-66	Mod. of CP (BRCT-3472, which auth. chgs. in an existing station) to make the following changes: ERP Vis. 211 kw, Aur. 42.2 kw; TL: to 0.8 mile North of Islitas, Texas; SL: to 820 Convent Ave., Laredo, Texas; type of transmitter to RCA TT-24CHLA; type of antenna to RCA TF-21AH directionalized; changes in antenna structure and increase antenna height above average terrain to 1021 feet. Haley, Bader & Potts, Atty.	GRANTED	9-30-66

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BMPCT-6377 R & F	10-6-66 10-13-66	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3472, as mod., which auth. changes in an existing station) to extend completion date from 11-2-66 to 5-2-67. Haley, Bader & Potts, Atty.	DISMISSED	AS MOOT 6-20-67
BLCT-1694 R & F	6-9-67 6-12-67	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3472, as mod.) which authorized changes in an existing station. William J. Potts, Jr. Atty. AMENDED 8-21-70 to chg. name	GRANTED	8-25-70
BLCT-1735 R & F AUXILIARY TRANS.	10-18-67 10-24-67	License to utilize formerly licensed Main Transmitter (RCA TT-2AH) at 820 Convent Ave., Laredo, Texas as an Auxiliary Transmitter. Haley, Bader & Potts, Atty. (Michael H. Bader) Leland Shaffner, Engr.	GRANTED	10-4-68
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BRCT-503 R & F PRESS PN Recd.	4-18-68 5-3-68 MAY 21 1968	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Rainer K. Kraus, Atty. (KOTEEN & BURT) Amended 6-26-68 re Programming	\$150. #426021 GRANTED	5-3-68 7-22-68
BAPLCT-102 R & F #605606 \$30 PRESS: PN REC'D: ENGR. DATA FILED	5-28-70 6-1-70 6-1-70 JUN 10 1970 7-7-70	Voluntary assignment of construction permit and license to Western Communications, Inc. Atty.: Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED EFF:	6-25-70 7-1-70
BRCT-503 Rec. & filed PN Recd. PRESS	4-23-71 5-3--71 5-3-71 MAY 17 1971	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Main Trans. & Ant. Aux. Trans. & Ant. Rainer K. Kraus (Koteen & Burt) Amended 6-2-71 re commercial policy.	GRANTED	7-29-71

Edgar F. Czarra, Jr. (Cogington & Burling) now represents KGNS-TV per. ltr. 9-1-72

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BMLCT-758 R & F #165730 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	3-7-73 3-21-73 3-21-73 APR 19 1973	Mod. of license to chg. studio location to 102 West Del Mar Boulevard, Laredo, Texas Atty: Robert H. Loeffler (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED EFF:	4-23-73 8-21-73'
BRCT-503 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	4-29-74 5-3-74 5-3-74 MAY 29 1974	RENEWAL of LICENSE Atty: Edgar F. Czarra, Jr. (Covington & Burling) Annual Report Filed (Main Trans. & Ant.) Aux. Trans. & Ant. not to be renewed per ltr. & orig. auth. 6-10-74. Amended 9-17-74 re Television Code. Amended 11-13-74 re ownership. Amended 1-16-75 re ownership. Ltr. 1-24-75 from Edgar F. Czarra, Jr. on behalf of Western Communications, Inc. re other business interests.	GRANTED	9-7-77

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BRCT-503 cont.		Amended 4-29-75 re additional information. Amended 1-30-76 re equal employment. Amended 6-28-76 re additional info. Amended 7-16-76 re financial Amended 11-23-76 re legal Amended 2-8-77 re legal Amended 3-25-77 re legal		
BRCT-503 R&F FN RECD PRESS	3-28-77 4-1-77 APR 26 1977	SUPPLEMENTAL RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Mark Herlach (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	9-7-77
		Amended 5-26-77 re financial or legal Amended 7-18-77 re legal Amended 8-8-77 re engineering Amended 9-9-77 re legal		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BALCT-662 R&F PN RECD PRESS (Form 314)	8-24-77	Voluntary assignment of license to Gulf Coast Broadcasting Company. Attys.: Assignor-Michael D. Berg Assignee-Boasberg, Hewes, <u>Finkelstein</u> & Klores Amended 9-29-77 re legal Amended 9-19-77 re legal & financial	GRANTED EFF:	10-11-77
	8-26-77			11-1-77
	9-14-77			
	SEP 2 1977			
BRCTV-381 R&F PRESS	12-2-77	Request authority to operate trans. by remote control from 102 W. Del Mar Blvd., Laredo, Texas. Atty.: Michael Finkelstein Amended 12-18-80 re engineering	GRANTED	12-23-80
	12-7-77			
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Station Location: LAREDO, TEXAS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCT-800401KU R & F PN REC'D	3-10-80 4-1-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: MICHAEL FINKELSTEIN {NIXON, HARGRAVE, DEVANS AND DOYLE}	JULY 28, 1980

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.

