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June 1954

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COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 7-18-67 (OFF. NO. 632)

Call letters KTVN

Station location RENO, NEVADA

Name of licensee SARKES TARZIAN, INC. (AL gr. 8-13-80, Eff.:
WASHOE EMPIRE

Transmitter location E.KNOB OF RED PEAK--4 MILES NORTH OF RENO POST OFFICE, NEAR RENO, NEVADA

4925 Energy Way, Reno, Nev. (Ltr. 3-14-73; BSCT 4-3-73)
X 10 Pine Street, Reno, Nevada (BLCT-1692 gr. 7-18-67)
Main studio location ^ TO BE DETERMINED, RENO, NEVADA

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPCT-3686	7-27-66	CH.#2	V-34.7 kw	U	9-27-66
AH: 490' MSL:5585'					
CP FOR A NEW COMM.TV B/C STATION.					
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS					
BPCT-3686	10-11-66	same	same	same	9-27-66
Mod. of CP. CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED.					
3-27-67					
BMPCT-6511	3-13-67	CH.#2	V-34.7 kw	U	9-27-66
AH: 490' MSL:5585'					
54-60 A- 6.92 kw					
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3686, which auth. new station) minor chg. loc					
WIRE 6-2-67 RETENDERED LICENSE APPLICATION AUTH.					
GR. OPERATE KTVN ON PROGRAM TEST. ACCORDANCE SEC. 73.629					
RULES AND CP BMPCT-6511, EXCEPT WITH RCA TYPE TT-6EL					
TRANSMITTER. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS					
AUTH. --- Advised began 6-4-67					
WIRE 6-2-67 RETENDERED LICENSE APPLICATION AUTH. GR.					
OPERATE KTVN ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORDANCE SEC. 73.629 RULES					
& CP BMPCT-6511, EXCEPT WITH RCA TYPE TT-6EL TRANSMITTER.					
ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY.					
BLCT-1692	7-18-67	CH.2	V34.7	U	7-18-67
54-60 A 6.92 kw					
Lic. to cover CP(BPCT-3686)					
BRCT-632	9-25-68	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-71
BRCT-632	9-30-71	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-74
WIRE	3-20-72	STA GR. OPER. TRANSLATOR STATION			
FROM PRESENT AUTH. SITE TRANSLATOR STATION KLIKA. SOUTH					
LAKE TAHOE AND MEYERS, CALIF. ON OUTPUT CH. 12 USING KEITH					
ANDERSON TYPE T-99 TRANSLATOR WITH POWER OF ONE WATT					
FEEDING ANT. ARRAY ORIENTED AT 166 DEGRESS TRUE TO SERVE					
MEYERS, CALIF. AND ONE WATT DRIVING KEITH ANDERSON TYPE					
A-110 FIVE WATT AMPLIFIER FEEDING ANT. ORIENTED AT 59					
DEGREES TRUE TO SERVE STATELINE, NEVADA. AUTH. EXP.					
6- 0--72.					
EBSA	5-15-72				
BSCT-632(1)	4-3-73	ML to chg. Studio loc.			
BRCT-632	9-25-74	Renewal of license (1)			10-1-74
					10-1-77

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COMM. TV B/C

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Station location RENO, NEVADA

Name of licensee WASHOE EMPIRE

Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRCTV-237 (1)	3 21 75	Remote control	authority		
BRCT-632	9-12-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)			10-1-80
BALCT-800421KH	8-13-80	VOL. al			
BALCT-800421KH	8-13-80	SUPRSEDES	VOL. AL.		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

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Letters ~~WT~~ KTVN

Name WASHOE EMPIRE
c/o Lee D. Hirshland, President, 300 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada 89501

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT- 3686 Recd. & Filed	12-22-65 12-27-65	Construction Permit for a new Commercial TV Broadcast Station: CH. 2, 54-60 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 34.8 kw Aur. 6.96 kw Hours of Operation: Unlimited T-L: E Knob of Red Peak - 4 miles north of Reno Post Office, Washoe, Nevada S-L: To be determined, Reno, Nevada (RCA TT-6AL) AH: 489 feet STATION LOCATION: RENO, NEVADA Cohn & Marks, Atty. Kear and Kennedy, Engr.	GRANTED	7-27-66

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV.

Call
Letters K T V N

Name WASHOE EMPIRE
CH-3 Reno, Nevada

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-6511 Rec'd Filed	3-3-67 3-6-67 3-7-67	Modification of CP(BPCT-3686, which auth. a new station) to make a minor change in location on same site. Marcus Cohn, Atty. Robert E. L. Kennedy, Engr.	GRANTED	3-13-67
BLCT-1692 R & F	5-31-67 6-2-67	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3686, as mod.) which auth. a new station, and to specify Studio Location as 10 Pine Street, Reno, Nevada Robert B. Jacobi, Atty. (Marcus Cohn)	GRANTED	7-18-67
BRCT-632 R & F PRESS PN Recd.	6-28-68 7-2-68 JUL 10 1968	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Martin J. Gaynes, Atty. (Marcus Cohn)	\$150. #441038 GRANTED	7-2-68 9-25-68
Eng. data file	MAY 21 1970			
9-30-70 Annual filing fee paid \$160.00 #633402				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters **K T V N**

CH-2 **Name** WASHOE EMPIRE
RENO, NEVADA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ERCT-632 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	6-28-71	Renewal of License	GRANTED	9-30-71
	7-6-71	Atty.: Joel H. Levy (Cohn and Marks)		
	JUL 23 1971			
	7-6-71			
BRCT-632 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	7-1-74	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	9-26-74
	7-3-74	Atty: Robert B. Jacobi (Cohn and Marks)		
	7-3-74	Annual Report Filed		
	JUL 10 1974			
BRCTV-237 R & F #387453 \$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	1-23-75	Request authority to operate trans. by remote	GRANTED	3 21 75
	1-30-75	control from 4925 Energy Way, Reno, Nevada.		
	1-30-75	Atty.: Robert B. Jacobi (Cohn and Marks)		
	FEB 26 1975			

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SARKES TARZIAN, INC.

Name X WASHOE EMPIRE
CH-2 RENO, NEVADA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-632 R&F PN RECD PRESS	5-31-77 6-1-77 6-1-77 JUN 14 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Robert B. Jacobi	GRANTED	9-12-77
BALCT-800421KH R&F PN REC'D (FORM 314) PRESS	4-21-80 4-21-80	Voluntary assignment of license to SARKES TARZIAN, INC. Robert B. Jacobi, atty (COHN AND MARKS) AMENDED 5-2-80 re legal and financial Amended 9-2-80 re financial	GRANTED	8-13-80
BRCT- 800602KN R & F PN REC'D	5-20-80 6-2-80 6-2-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE {COHN AND MARKS}	GRANTED	10-6-80
BALCT- 800421KH		Amended 7-14-80 re legal and programming AMENDED 10-10-80 re legal, financial	Eff:	10-7-80

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.

