

WAVY-TV



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Form BC 126 Prog. Test Auth. 8-28-67
June 1954

COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 7-22-59 (Off #482)

Call letters WAVY-TV

Station location Portsmouth, Virginia
ID: Norfolk-Portsmouth-Newport News
10-7-59

Name of licensee WAVY TELEVISION, INC. (BALCT-344 3-27-68 EFF: 4-9-68)

Transmitter location Kings Highway, Drivers, Virginia

Main studio location 801 Middle St. Portsmouth, Va.

June 1954

CARD #1

COMM.TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED 8-28-57

Date first licensed 7-22-59(Off. No. 482)

Call letters WAVY-TV

Station Location: PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

(1) Waiver 3.652(a) 7-14-58, Section 316

Identification as Identification as

(2) Waiver 10-7-58 for Norfolk-Portsmouth

WAVY TELEVISION, INC. (BALCT-344 3-27-68 EFF:

X TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC. (BMPCT-4753 7-2-57) Newport News, Virginia

Name of licensee X PORTSMOUTH RADIO CORPORATION

Transmitter location Kings Highway, Drivers, Va.

801 Middle Street, Portsmouth, Virginia(Ltr. 10-1-56)

Main studio location X SE Corner of Fauquier Avenue & South St. Portsmouth, Va.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

WAVY-TV

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPCT-1750	5-29-56	CH #10 V-	316 kw	U	7-29-56
AH 1000 ft.		192-198A-	191 kw		1-29-57
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.					
BMPCT-4080	7-10-56	same	same	same	7-29-56
Mod. CP (BPCT-1750) to make a slight change in transmitter location in coordinates only.					1-29-57
BPCT-4461	6-20-57	same	same	Comm. Action	7-29-56
Mod. CP (BPCT-1750, as mod) to extend comp. dt. Long F-					12-20-57
BMPCT-4753	7-2-57	same	same	same	7-2-57
.Mod. CP (BPCT-1750, as mod) to chg. name to TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC.					12-20-57
BMPCT-4826	8-21-57	CH #10 V-	316 kw	U	7-2-57
AH: 990'		192-198 A-	191 kw		12-20-57
Mod. CP (BPCT-1750, as mod) to chg. type of Ant. equip. AH					
WIRE	8-28-57	PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED			MPCT-4826
NOTIFY WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES					
WIRE	3-31-58	PENDING TRANSMISSION LINE REPAIRS, AUTH			
OPERATE WITH REDUCED POWER TEMP, PERIOD ENDING APRIL 15, 58					
ADVISE WHEN NORMAL OPERATION RESUMED.					
WIRE	11-10-58	NO OBJECTION OPERATION OF WAVY-TV AT			
REDUCED POWER ACCORD. SECTION 3.689(B)(3) RULES.					
COMM. ACTION 12-3-58 WAIVER OF 3.652(a) OF RULES GRANTED					
FOR STATION IDENTIFICATION AS: NORFOLK-PORTSMOUTH, VA.					
WIRE	6-16-59	NO OBJECTION OPR. WAVY-TV AT REDUCED			
POWER ACCORD. SECTION 3.689(B) (3) RULES. ADVISE WHEN					
NORMAL OPERATION RESUMED.					
BLCT-707	7-22-59	CH#10	V-316kw	U	7-22 10-1-60
AH-990'		K(192-198mc)A-191kw "HAZ MARKINGS"			
Lic. to cover C.P. (PCT-1750 as mod.) for a new station					
COMM. ACTION 10-7-59 GRANTED WAIVER 3.652(a) RULES, STATION					
IDENTIFICATION AS: NORFOLK-PORTSMOUTH-NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA					
BRCT-482	9-28-60	same	same	same	10-1-60
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					10-1-63
BTC-3659	1-25-61	Voluntary transfer of control of license			
Corporation from J. Glen Taylor and 10 others as Voting					
Trustees to J. Glen Taylor, et al All Stockholders.					
EFF: - - - - -					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location

Name of licensee **TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC.**

Transmitter location

Main Studio Location

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APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
WIRE: 8-28-61 PEND. TRANSMISSION LINE REPAIRS AUTH. GR. OPER. WAVY-TV TEMP. PER. 12 DAYS WITH DIRECTIONAL PATTERN. ADVISE WHEN NORMAL OPERATIONS RESUMED.					
BMLCT-235	2-17-65	CH-10	V-316 kw	U	3-17-65
BRCT-482	3-17-65	192-198	A-63.1 kw		10-1-66
Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP & RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
*Issued with RENEWAL OF LICENSE granted 3-17-65					
BMLCT-312	9-3-65	same	same	same	9-3-65
			A-48.8 kw		10-1-66
Mod. of lic. to reduce Aural Transmitter & Aural ERP					
BRCT-482	9-1-66	same	same	same	10-1-66
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPCT-3866	12-8-66	CH-10	V-316 kw	U	2-8-67
AH:990		192-198	A-48.8 kw		8-8-67
P CP to install Alternate Main Amplifier at Main Transmitter and Antenna location.					
WIRE 7-26-67 RE TEND. LICENSE APPLIC. AUTH. GR. OPERATE WAVY-TV ALTERNATE VISUAL AMPLIFIER ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BPCT-3866					
BLCT-1700	8-31-67	CH-10	V-316 kw	U	8-31-67
AH:990	MSL:-----	192-198	A-84.8 kw		10-1-69
License to cover CP(BPCT-3866)					
Main Trans. & Antenna & Alter. Vis. Final Amplifiers					
BALCT-344	3-27-68	VOL. AL			
BRCT-482	12-19-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	(L)		10-1-72
BMLCT-727	12-20-71	Ch. 10	V. 316 kw		
AH:990	MSL: -	192-198	A. 38.9 kw		10-1-72
ML reduce aural ERP					
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRCT-482	11-10-72	Renewal of License	(S)		10-1-75
BRCT-482	9-12-75	Renewal of license	(S)		10-1-78
BRCTV-404	7-13-78	Mod. of lic. for remote control			
(1)					
BRCT-482	9-29-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	(S)		10-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call Letters **WAVY-TV**
~~NEW~~

Name **PORTSMOUTH RADIO CORPORATION**
(P.O. 205 Professional Bldg., Portsmouth, Virginia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1750	8-1-53	C.P. for a new Comm. TV B/C Station	GRANTED	5-29-56
Rec'd	8-3-53	FREQ.: Ch. #10, 192-198 mcs.		
Filed	8-3-53	ERP: Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 189.6 kw Hours of Operation: Unlimited SeL: To be determined , Portsmouth, Virginia T-L: Kings Highway, Drivers, Virginia (Vis. & Aur. RCA TT-50AH) (1000') (Filed by Harry M. Plotkin, Atty.)		
AMENDED	11-18-53	Amended to change Officers, Directors and	DECISION (Docket 10801)	
Recd.	11-18-53	Stockholders; & specify studio location as		
Filed	11-18-53	Southeast Corner of Fauquier Avenue and South Street. Portsmouth, Virginia, and amended Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. Harry Plotkin- Atty		
BPCT-4080	7-2-56	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-1750, which auth. a new	GRANTED	7-10-56
Recd & Filed	7-2-56	Comm TV B/C Station) to make a slight change in transmitter location (no change in description, other than coordinates) Filed by Harry M. Plotkin, Atty.		

A. D. Ring, Engr.

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Tidewater Teleradio, Inc. 7-2-57

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Letters **WAVX-TV**

Name

PORTSMOUTH RADIO CORPORATION**Portsmouth, Virginia**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPT-4461 Recd & Filed Ext. #1	12-21-56 12-38-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1750, as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 1-29-57 to 7-29-57. Filed by Reed Miller, Atty.	GRANTED Comm. action	6-20-57
BMPCT-4753 Recd & Filed	6-21-57 6-24-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1750, as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV b/c station) to change name from Portsmouth Radio Corporation to Tidewater Teleradio, Inc. Arnold, Fortas & Porter, Atty's	GRANTED XXXX	7-2-57
BMPCT-4826 Recd & filed	8-16-57 8-19-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1750, as mod., which auth. a new comm TV b/c station) to change type of antenna and make other equipment changes, and change antenna height above average terrain to 983' Filed by Reed Miller, Atty.	GRANTED	8-21-57

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Letters WAVY-TV

Name TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC.
Portsmouth, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-707 Recd & filed	8-27-57 8-28-57	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-1750 as modified) which authorized a new commercial TV b/c station Filed by Reed Miller, Atty.	GRANTED	7-22-59
LETTER (3) Received	11-17-58 11-18-58	Request for Waiver of Section 3.652(a) of Comm. Rules to permit WAVY-TV to identify itself as a "Norfolk-Portsmouth" station Filed by Harry M. Plotkin-atty	GRANTED	12-3-58
LETTER	5-1-59	Received 5-4-59: HARRY M. PLOTKIN is now atty for WAVY-TV		
LETTER (1) received by atty only	9-18-59 9-21-59	Request for Waiver of Section 3.652(a) of Comm. Rules to permit WAVY-TV to identify itself as "Norfolk-Portsmouth-Newport News" Virginia Harry M. Plotkin-atty	GRANTED BY COMMISSION ON 10-7-59. Comm. Ltr. adopted.	

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Call WAVY-TV
Letters

Name TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC.
Portsmouth, Va.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-482 Recd.&Filed	6-28-60 6-29-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Direct.	GRANTED	9-28-60
JTC-3659 R & F	1-10-61 1-11-61	Voluntary transfer of control of licenses Corporation from J. Glen Taylor and 10 others as Voting Trustees to J. Glen Taylor, et al All Stockholders.	GRANTED EFF:	1-25-61
BALCT-160 Recd.&Filed	6-9-61 6-12-61	Voluntary assignment of license to WAVY, INC. Harry M. Plotkin, for Assignor Thomas H. Wall for Assignee	FIRST-CLASS WITH PREJUDICE 12-19-62, DOCKET#14866 with AM Win	
PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF TELEVISION LICENSE filed 10-2-61 by Joel Cooper for Beachview Broadcasting Corporation				
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 10-13-61 by Plotkin for Tidewater Teleradio, Inc.				
PETITION BY TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC. FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME filed 10-30-61 by Plotkin				
SEE CARD 75 re further petitions. WASHINGTON, D. C.				

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Letters NAVY-TV

Name

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
PETITIONS (continued)				
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF TELEVISION LICENSE filed 10-31-61 by				
<u>Joel Cooper</u> for Beachview				
AMENDMENT TO PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF TELEVISION LICENSE filed 10-31-61 by Joel Cooper				
for Beachview				
OPPOSITION BY TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC. TO PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF TELEVISION LICENSE				
filed 11-6-61 by Plotkin and Bechtel				
MOTION OF TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC. TO DISMISS AMENDMENT TO PETITION FOR REVOCATION OF				
TELEVISION LICENSE filed 11-9-61 by Plotkin and Bechtel				
PETITION BY BEACHVIEW BRD. CORP. FOR EXT. OF TIME filed 11-13-61 by Joel Cooper				
OPPOSITION OF BEACHVIEW BRD. CORP. TO MOTION TO DISMISS AMEND. TO PET. filed 11-13-61 by				
<u>Joel Cooper</u>				
OPPOSITION OF TIDEWATER TELERADIO, INC. TO PET. FOR EXT. OF TIME filed 11-13-61 by Plotkin				
REPLY OF BEACHVIEW BRD. CORP. TO OPPOSITION OF TIDEWATER & PET. FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed				
11-17-61 by Joel Cooper				
REPLY OF BEACHVIEW BRD. CORP. TO OPPOSITION OF TIDEWATER filed 11-24-61 by Joel Cooper				

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F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

see Exhibit # 14866 and AM

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Name TIDEWATER TELEVISION, INC.
PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA (PO 201 Middle St., Portsmouth, Va)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-482 Recd. & Filed	6-27-63 7-3-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Harry Plotkin, Atty.	GRANTED	3-17-65
BMLCT-235 Rec. & filed	1-5-65 1-6-65	Modification of license to reduce aural ERP from 191 Kw to 63 KW. Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, Atty.	GRANTED ISSUED WITH BRCT-482 granted 1-17-65 above	2-17-65
BMLCT-312 R & F	7-26-65 8-2-65	Modification of License to reduce Aural ERP from 63.1 kw to 46.7 kw. George H. Shapiro, Atty. (ARENT, FOX, KINTNER)	GRANTED	9-3-65
BRCT-482 R & F	6-27-66 7-1-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Arent, Fox, Kintner, Plotkin & Kahn, Attys.		
BPCT-3866 R & F	10-13-66 10-21-66	Construction Permit for an alternate main amplifier at the main trans. & antenna location. Gene A. Bechtel, Atty. (ARENT, FOX, KINTNER, KAHN)	GRANTED	9-1-66
MAIN TRANS. AND ANT. & ALTERNATE VISUAL FINAL AMPLIFIER			GRANTED Lic	12-8-66

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Letters WAVY-TV

WAVY TELEVISION, INC. (3-27-68)

Name ~~XTIDEWATER~~ TELERADIO, INC.
Ch. 10 PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1700 R & F MAIN TRANS. AND ANTENNA & ALTERNATE VISUAL FINAL AMPLIFIER AUG 2 1967	7-14-67 7-19-67	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-1966) which auth. an alternate main amplifier at the Main Trans. & Antenna location. Thos. Schattenfeld, Atty. (ARENT, FOX, KINTNER)	GRANTED	8-31-67
BALCT-344 Rec'd Filed (314) OCT 17 1967 SEE OTHER SIDE	9-25-67 10-10-67 17 1967	Voluntary assignment of license to WAVY TELEVISION, INC. (MALLYCK & BERNTON, ATTY)	GRANTED Commission Action EFF:	3-27-68 4-9-68
Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering (J. Roger Wollenberg) now atty. per ltr.				5-29-69
BRCT-482 R & F \$180 #526871 MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA & ALTERNATE VIS. FINAL AMPLIF. PRESS JUL 16 1969 PN Recd. 7-29-69	6-30-69 7-3-69 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Stephen A. Weiswasser, Atty. (Wilmer, Cutler) Ltr. from atty. submitting letter from WAVY-TV in reply to Comm's ltr. 11-14-69. ENGR. DATA FILED 6-23-70	\$30 REFUNDED GRANTED	7-15-69 12-19-69

Ltr. 7-11-68 from Nallyck & Berntson for licensee requesting authority to relocate its main studio to the City of Norfolk, Virginia. / copy of letter to Commission

- Ltr. 7-29-68 from Commission in reply to above request - Denied.

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WAVY-TVName WAVY TELEVISION, INC.
Ch. 10 PORTSMOUNT, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLCT-727 R & F #020009 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS	11-12-71 11-15-71 11-15-71 NOV 22 1971	ML to reduce Aur. ERP to 38.9kw. Atty.: Stephen A. Weiswasser (Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering)	GRANTED	12-20--71
BRCT-482 R & F PN REC PRESS	6-20-72 7-3-72 7-3-72 JUL 12 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. & ANT.& ALTERNATE VISUAL FINAL AMPLIFIER Peter A. Bell (Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering) Amended 9-8-72 re Sec. VI.	GRANTED	11-10-72

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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WAVY-TV

Name WAVY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-10 Portsmouth, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-482 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	6-1-75 6-2-75 6-2-75 26 JUN 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN TRANS. & ANT. & ALTERNATE VISUAL FINAL AMPLIFIER) Annual Report Filed Atty: R. Townsend Robinson (Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering)	GRANTED	9-12-75
BRCTV-404 R&F PRESS	5-12-78 5-16-78	Request for authority to operate by remote control from 801 Wavy Street, Portsmouth, Virginia Atty.: Stephen A. Wieswasser	GRANTED	7-13-78
BRCT-482 R&F PN RECD PRESS	6-1-78 6-1-78 6-1-78 JUN 13 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Bruce Maximov	GRANTED	9-29-78

CARD NO. 10

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters: **WAYV-TV**

Name: WAVY TELEVISION, INC.

CH-10

Station Location: PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCT-810601KI R&F PN REC'D	6-1-81 6-1-81 6-1-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: SETH DAVIDSON {WILMER, CUTLER, AND PICKERING}	

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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 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.

