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June 1954

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

1st C. C.

PROGRAM TESTS 6-28-57

Date first licensed 10-3-57 (Official No. 375)

Call letters WCYB-TV

STATION LOCATION: BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

Waiver Sec. 3.652(a) Gr. 11-29-61 Identify as
"Bristol-Johnson City-Kingsport" station

Name of licensee APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Rye Patch Knob, Cherokee National Forest, 11 miles SSE of Bristol, Tenn. (BMPCT-3923/5-31-56)

X Holston High Knob, 700 feet NE of triangulation station, Elizabethton
No. 13, 11 miles SE of Bristol, near Bristol, Tenn.511-513 Cumberland ST, Bristol, Virginia (Ltr. 7-3-56) (BMPCT 3-12-57)
Main studio location Hotel General Shelby, Cumberland and Front Streets, Bristol, Virginia

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

WCYB-TV

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq	Power	Time Day	Period From To
BPCT-850	4-11-56	CH #5	Vis-100 kw		6-11-56
AH 1970		76-82 mcs	Aur-53.7kw	U	12-11-56
<u>CP for new Comm. TV B/C Sta.</u>					
BMPCT-3923	5-31-56	same	V-70.8	same	6-11-56
AH2220			A-42.7 kw		12-11-56
<u>Mod. CP (BPCT-850) to chg. ERP, TL, type of antenna, equip, chgs.</u>					
WIRE 12-10-56 Pending filing of Lic. Appl., auth. to operate WCYB-TV temp. per. ind. 12-11-56, Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-3923. No objection operating temp. without harmonic filter subject causing no interference, per. ind. 7-12-56 advise when operation commences under this auth. & when filter placed in service.					
<u>WIRE 12-10-56 PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD. MPCT-4395 to 4-11-57</u>					
BMPCT-4520	3-12-57	CH #5	V-85.1 kw	U	12-11-56
AH -2220		76-82mcs.	A-42.7 kw		7-11-57
<u>Mod. CP (BPCT-850 as mod.) to chg. ERP & make minor equip changes, specify studio location.</u>					
<u>WIRE 3-15-57 PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. MOD. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD. MPCT-4520 to 7-11-57</u>					
BMPCT-4520	3-12-57	same	same	same	12-11-56
<u>Super. auth. to correct. TL. Lt. 5-7-57</u>					
<u>WIRE 6-28-57 PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED MPCT-4520</u>					
BLCT-665	10-3-57	CH #5	V-85.1 kw	U	10-3-57
AH 2220'		76-82	A-42.7 kw		10-1-60
<u>License to cover CP (BPCT-850 as modified)</u>					
BRCT-375	9-7-60	same	same	same	10-1-60
<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</u>					
<u>COMM. ACTION 11-29-61 GRANTED WAIVER SEC. 3.652(a) TO IDENTIFY AS, "BRISTOL-JOHNSON CITY-KINGSPOUR" Station</u>					
BPCT-3008	4-12-62	CH #5	V---	Energy Test	6-12-62
AUX. TRANS. & ANT.		76-82		Maint. Only	12-12-62
<u>Construction Permit to install Aux. Trans. & Antenna</u>					
BMPCT-5797	12-10-62	same	same	same	6-12-62
<u>AUX. TRANS. & ANT. Mod. CP (BPCT-3008) to extend completion date.</u>					

Form BC-126

June 1954 #2

COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WCYB-TV

Name of licensee APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	ERP Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
WIRB	1-30-63	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERATE			
WC B-TV	AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 3.629 RULES & CP	BPCT-5797.			
BRCT-375	2-3-64	same	same	same	2-3-64
		RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-66
BLCT-1264	9-4-64	CH. #5 FOR EMERG., MAINT. & AUX. TRANS. & ANT	76-82Mc	TEST PURPOSES ONLY	9-4-64 10-1-66
		License to cover CP (BPCT-3008, as mod.)			
	2-10-66	CH. 5	7-85.1kw		7-10-66
		76-82 Mcs.	A-17kw		10-1-66
		Mod. of lic. to reduce Aural ERP.			
BRCT-375	9-1-66	same	same	same	10-1-66
		Main Trans. & Ant.			10-1-69
		RENEWAL OF LIC.			
BRCT-375	9-1-66	same	same	same	10-1-66
		AUX. TRANS. & ANT.			10-1-69
		RENEWAL OF LIC.			
BPCT-4204	4-21-69	CP to chg. Aural Trans.			6-21-69
		MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA			12-21-69
BPCT-4205	4-21-69	CP to chg. type trans.			6-21-69
		AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA			12-21-69
WIRE	6-18-69	PEND. FILING LICENSE APPL. AUTH. GR. OPER.			
WCYB-TV	TEMP. PERIOD END. 7-18-69	ACCORD. BPCT-4204.			
Wire	7-17-69	PEND. FILING LIC. APPLIC. AUTH. GTD. OPER.			
WCYB-TV	TEMP. PERIOD END. 8-18-69	ACCORD. BPCT-4204			
WIRE	8-15-69	RETENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER.			
		MAIN TRANSMITTER AND ANT. ON PTA SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP			
		BPCT-4204.			
WIRE	9-12-69	RETENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPR.			
		AUX. TRANS. & ANT. ON PTA SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BPCT-4205.			
BRCT-375	10-13-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S) Main Tran			10-1-72
EBSA	5-15-72				
BLCT-1908	7-19-72	Lic. for chg. (BPCT-4205)			10-1-72
		AUX. TRANS. & ANT.			
BLCT-1901	7-19-72	Lic. (BPCT-4204) chg.			10-1-72
		MAIN TRANS. & ANT.			
BRCT-375	10-27-72	Renewals (Main & Aux.) (S)			10-1-75

BC-126

CARD NO 3

COMM TV

February 1974

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WCYB-TV

Station location BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

Name of licensee APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

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	
BRCT-375 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	9-23-75	Renewal of license (S) AUX TRANS. & ANT.			10-1-78	
BTC-8256	3-17-77	Voluntary transfer of control.				
BPCT-5221 AH: 2230 MSL438076-82 CP(to chg. ERP,	8-23-78	Ch-5	V. 83.2 A. 11.5	U	2-23-80 (Main trans. & Ant.)	
BPCT-5221 AH: msl-4300	8-23-78	Ch-5	V-85.1 A. 11.5		2-23-80 FOR EMERGENCY, TEST AND MAINTENANCE PURPOSES ONLY.	
BRCT-375 MAIN-TRANS. & ANT. & AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	9-26-1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			6-1-81	

FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call WCYB-TV
Letters None

Name APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

(Cumberland and Front Streets, --- Bristol, Va.)

P. O. Box 1009, Bristol, Virginia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-850	2-15-52	Construction permit for new Comm. TV B/c Station.	SEE ACTION CARD #2	
Recd	2-15-52	FREQ: Ch. # 5, 76-82 MCs.		
Filed	2-15-52	ERP: Vis. 100 KW. Aur. 50 KW. Hours operation: UNlimited. S-L: Hotel General Shelby, Bristol, Va. T-L: Jefferson National Forest, 17 Mi. N. 20° E. of Bristol, Va. (Vis. & Aur. G.E. TT-10A & TF-3A Filed by Jack Blume, Atty. (1964')		
AMENDED BPCT-850	6-12-52	(PURSUANT TO SIXTH REPORT AND ORDER 4-11-52)		
Recd.	6-13-52	Freq: Ch # 5, 76-82 Mc.		
Filed	6-13-52	ERP: Vis. 100 kw, --- Aur. 50 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: Hotel General Shelby, Cumberland and Front Streets, Bristol, Virginia T-L: Jefferson National Forest, 17 miles NE of Bristol, Virginia (Vis & Aur GE-TF-22A) (1964)		
		Filed by William J. Dirka, Atty.		

George C. Davis, Engr.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

.300M. TV

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Letters ~~NEW~~Name APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
(P.O. Box 1009, Bristol, Virginia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-850 AMENDED Rec'd Filed	11-19-53 11-19-53 11-19-53	Amended to change Officers; ERP from Vis. 100 kw, Aur. 50 kw to 74.8-90.2 kw, Aur. 48.2 kw ; antenna height above average terrain from 1964' to 2116' ; and equipment changes (Filed by Wm. J. Durka, Atty.)	GRANTED (4-11-56)	(DECISION Doc. 10879)
AMENDED Rec'd & Filed	1-15-54 1-19-54	Amended to change Officers, Directors, Stockholders and equipment changes.		
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	3-23-54 3-24-54 4-6-54	Amended to chg. ERP from Vis. 90.2 kw, Aur. 48.2 kw to Vis. 100 kw, Aur. 53.5 kw; antenna height above average terrain from 2116' to 1973'; trans. loc. from Jefferson National Forest, 17 miles N. 20° E of Bristol, Va. to On Holston High Knob, 700' N.E. of Triangulation Station, Elizabethton No. 13, 11 miles S.E. of Bristol, Va.		

FORM BC-121

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Call
Letters WCYB-TVName APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Bristol, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-3923 Recd & filed	5-11-56 5-14-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-850 which authorized a new comm TV B/C station) to change ERP from Vis. 100 kw, Aur. 53.7 kw, to Vis. 70.8 kw, Aur. 42.5 kw, change transmitter location from Holston High Knob, 700 Ft. Ne of Triangulation station, Elizabethton # 13, 11 miles SE of Bristol, near Bristol, Tenn. to Rye Patch Knob, Cherokee National Forest, 11 miles SSE of Bristol, Va., in Sullivan County, Tenn., change type of antenna and make other equipment changes. (2219) Filed by Benito Gaguine, Atty.	GRANTED	5-31-56
	5-28-56	Protest/ and Petition for reconsideration, filed by McKenna & Stevens, behalf Tri-Cities TV CORP.	DENIED (Memo. Opinion & Order)	7-18-56
	7-9-56	Petition for Stay, filed by David S. Stevens, behalf Tri-Cities TV Corp. (we have copy only Orig. in Dockets)		

CARD #4

FORM BC-121

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM TV B/C

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Call
Letters WCYB-TVName APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Bristol, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-3923 (contd)	7-9-56	Opposition to Protest & Petition for Reconsideration, filed by <u>WCYB-TV</u>	SEE DENIAL	Card #3
	7-16-56	REPLY to above Opposition, filed by McKenna & Stevens, behalf <u>Tri-Cities TV Corp.</u>	" "	" "
BMPCT-4395	11-24-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-850, as mod., which authorized	GRANTED	12-4-56
Recd & Filed Ext. #1	11-27-56	a new COMM. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 12-11-56 to April, 1957. Filed by Benito Gaguine, Atty.		
PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 1-8-57 by McKenna and Stevens for <u>Tri-Cities Television Corp.</u>				
OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 1-15-57 by Gaguine for <u>WCYB-TV</u>				
BMPCT-4520	1-24-57	Modification of CP (BPCT-850 as mod., which auth. a new Comm TV B/C station) to change ERP from Vis. 70.8 kw, Aur. 42.7 kw to Vis. 85.1 kw, Aur. 42.6 kw, and make minor equipment changes, specify studio location as 511-13 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va., in lieu of Cumberland and Front Streets, Bristol, Va.	GRANTED	3-12-57
Recd & filed	1-28-57	Filed by Benito Gaguine, Atty. (2219)		

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FORMERLY FORM A-170

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Letters **WCYB-TV**Name **APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION**
Bristol, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-665 Recd & filed	6-19-57 6-26-57	License to cover CP (BPCT-850 as modified) which authorized a new commercial TV broadcast station Filed by Benito Gaguine, Atty.	GRANTED	10-3-57
BRCT-375 Recd. & Filed	6-28-60 7-1-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Benito Gaguine, Atty.	GRANTED	9-7-60
LETTER & ENGR. STATEMENT (1)	10-18-61 rec. 10-19-61	REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SECTION 3.652(a) OF Commission's Rules to permit identification of WCYB-TV as a "Bristol, Virginia-Johnson City-Kingsport, Tennessee" station. Filed by atty: Fly, Shuebrik, Blame & Gaguine Geo. C. Bavis-engr.	GRANTED COMM. LTR. ADOPTED	11-29-61

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Comm TV B/C

AUG. 1955

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Letters WCYB-TVName APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Bristol, Va.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3008 R & F Aux. Trans & Ant.	2-10-62 2-21-62	Construction permit to install Auxiliary Transmitters and antenna at the main transmitter site. Filed by Benito Gaguine, Atty.	GRANTED	4-12-62
BMPCT-5797 Recd.&Filed AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	10-22-62 10-25-62	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3008 which authorized installation of Auxiliary Transmitters & Antenna)to extend completion date from 12-12-62 to _____. Jack P. Blune, Atty.	GRANTED	12-10-62
BLCT-1264 Recd.&Filed AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA	1-26-63 1-29-63	License to cover CP (BPCT-3008, as mod) which authorized installation of Auxiliary Transmitters and antenna at the Main transmitter site. Benito Gaguine, Atty.	GRANTED	9-4-64
BRCT-375 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	7-3-63 7-9-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	2-3-64

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FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

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Name APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
CH. 5 BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLCT-442 Recd. & Filed	1-13-66 1-17-66	Mod. of license to reduce aural ERP from 42.7 kw to 16.98 kw. Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine, Atty.	Granted	2-10-66
BRCT-375 R & F MAIN TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA.	6-29-66 7-5-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine, Attys.	GRANTED	9-1-66
BRCT-375 R & F AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA	6-29-66 7-5-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine, Attys.	GRANTED	9-1-66
BPCT-4204 R & F #498590 \$30 PRESS: MAR 20 1969	3-8-69 3-14-69 3-14-69	CP to chg. Aur. ERP to 10.25kw, and chg. Aur. trans. to GE TF-16A (Main Trans. & Ant.)	GRANTED	4-21-69 Subject to compliance with Section 73.640 of the Rules
BPCT-4205 R & F #498591 \$30 PRESS: MAR 26 1969	3-8-69 3-14-69 3-14-69	CP to chg. type trans. to Vix. GE TT22A, and Aur. GE TT-10A Modified Atty.: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine Amended 4-14-69 re engr.	GRANTED	4-21-69

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FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

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COMM. TV

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Name APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
CH. 5 BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-375	7-1-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	10-13-69
Recd. F	7-3-69	Benito Gaguine, Atty. (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume)		
Filed	7-8-69	AMENDED 10-3-69 re programming.		
\$150 #526886 PN Recd. PRESS	7-3-69 " JUL 30 1969			
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA				
BLCT-1901	8-8-69	Lic. (BPCT-4204) for chgs.	RETURNED	8-15-69
Received	8-13-69		- Engineering not signed.	
#535315 \$30	8-13-69	Atty.: Howard Jay Braun (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine)	ex-dated,	
RESUBMITTED	8-20-69		GRANTED	7-19-72
R & F	"			
PRESS	AUG 20 1969			
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA				
BLCT-1908	8-29-69	LICENSE (BPCT-4205) for changes.	GRANTED	7-19-72
R & F	9-9-69	James K. Edmundson, Atty. (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume)		
\$30 #541104	"			
PRESS	SEP 24 1969			
AUXILIARY TRANS. & ANTENNA				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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Letters WCYB-TV

Name APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
CH-5, BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action		
			Nature	Date	
ETC-6233	3-23-70	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Robert H. Smith, Fr., J. Fey Rogers, Charles M. Gore and Harry M. Daniels to Starr Broadcasting Group, Inc. Atty.: Donald E. Ward (Fly, Shuebruk, Blum and Gaguine) Amended 5-28-70 re Exh. 1, Part III (other broadcast interests) AMENDED 7-16--70 re Purchase Agreement and Employment Agreement. AMENDED 8-21-70 re amendments to Purchase Agreement & Purchase Agreement; & financial data. Amended 9-16--70 to submit two copies of Registration Statement filed 9-14-70 with Securities and Exchange Comm.	GRANTED	11-12-70	
R & B	4-1-70		EFF:	12-22-70	
#589493 \$270	4-1-70		COMMISSION ACTION		
\$120 refunded	4-7-70				
(Overpayment)					
PRESS:	APR 1 1970				
EN REC'D:	4-28--70				
Engr. data file	6-8-70				

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COMMERCIAL TV

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Letters WCYB-TVName APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
CH-5 BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-375 R & F PN REC PRESS	6-27-72 6-30-72 6-30-72 JUL 21 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. TRANS. & ANT. Peter Shuebruk (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine) Amended 8-29-72 re Sec. VI.	GRANTED	10-27-72
BRCT-375 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	5-16-75 6-2-75 6-2-75 26 JUN 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.) & AUX. TRANS. & ANT.) Annual Report Filed Atty: James K. Edmundson (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine)	GRANTED	9-23-75

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COMMERCIAL TV

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Letters WCYB-TVName
CH-5 APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-8256 R&F PRESS (Form 315) PN RECD	1-28-77 2-1-77 14 FEB 1977 2-24-77	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Starr Broadcasting Group, Inc. to The DGH Company. Attys.: Transferor-Fly, Shuebruk, Blume, Gaguine, Boros and Schulkind Transferee-Alan Y. Naftalin (Koteen & Burt) Response filed 3-9-77 to ques. raised by the Comm. staff.	GRANTED Eff:	3-17-77 5-2-77
BRCT-375 R&F PN RECD PRESS	5-24-78 6-1-78 6-1-78 JUL 13 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Trans. & Ant.) Atty.: Benito Gaguine	GRANTED	9-26-78
BPCT-5221 R&F PRESS	6-26-78 6-29-78 JUL 17 1978	CP to chg Main Trans. to RCA 25FL; Main Ant. to RCA TF-4BM; chg. Aux. Trans. to CE TT22A Aux. Ant. to GE TY-60C & make chgs to Ant. Structure; HAAT 2229 ft. Atty.: Stuart A. Shorestein (Fly, Shuebruk, etc.)	GRANTED	8-23-78

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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Name: APPALACHIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

CH-5

Station Location: BRISTOL, VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLCT-790511KK R&F	5-10-79 5-11-79	License to cover CP(BPCT-5221) for chgs. in Main trans., main ant., Aux. trans., Aux. ant., Ant. struc., & HAAT Herbert M. Schulkind, atty.	
BRCT-810601KQ R&F PN REC'D	5-26-81 6-01-81 6-01-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: RUSSELL C. BALCH {FLY, SHUEBRUK, GAGUINE, BOROS, SCHULKIND AND BRAUN}	GRANTED 10-22- 81
BTCCT-810710KF R&F	7-10-81	Vol. TC from Trustees of the Grit Publishing company voting trust to trustees of the Lamco Communications, Inc. voting Trust	

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.

