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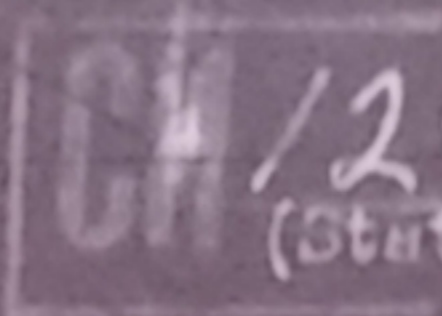
B.S. Card # 1

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMM. TV B/C

First C.O. 4-19-54 (Started 4-25-54)

Date first licensed 3-27-56 (Off. No. 164)



Call letters W D E F-TV

(Station Loc: Chattanooga, Tenn.)

ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC. (BALCT-232 2-28-64 EFF: 3-2-64)

Name of licensee X WDEF BROADCASTING CO.

220 Hampton Road (Signal Mountain) Near Chattanooga, Tennessee

Transmitter location X 6.3 mi. ~~No. of official street~~ north of Chattanooga on Hampton Road, near Chattanooga, Tenn. (LCT-1617 pa 8247)

3300 Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee. ltr 11-17-58

Main studio location X 419 Volunteer Building, Chattanooga, Tennessee

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From	To
BPCT-989	1-28-54	Ch. # 12	V 105kw	U		3-28-54
		204-210mcA	63.1kw			9-28-54
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station						
BPCT-1689	4-14-54	Vol. transfer of control of permittee corporation from Carter M. Parham, Edward Finlay Kr., et al to Carter M. Parham, Edward Finlay, Jr., Moses Lebovitz et al.				

4-19-54	STA Opr. Comm basis exact accordance CP BPCT-989 pending preparation & filing of Lic. appl. Per End 9-28-54					
BMPCT-2476	9-15-54	same	same	same		3-28-54
Mod. of CP (BPCT-989) to ext. comp. date. 3-28-55						

Wire	9-20-54	EXT	STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-2476	pending filing of Lic. appl. Period ending 3-28-55.		
BMPCT-2928	3-8-55	same	same	same		3-28-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-989, as mod) to extend completion date 9-28-55						
WIRE	3-11-55	EXT	STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-2928	pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 9-28-55.		
BLCT-314	3-27-56	CH #12	V-105 kw	U	3-27-56	8-1-58
AH 990 ft. 204-210 A-63.1 kw						
License to cover CP (BPCT-989, as mod).						
BPCT-2150	8-2-56	CH. #12	V-316kw	U		10-2-56
AH 990ft. 204-210 A-158kw 2-2-57						
CP to make changes in facilities of existing COMM. TV B/C Station to change EHP, install new transmitters & make other equipment changes. (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.)						
BPCT-2151	8-2-56	same	same	same		10-2-56
CP to install Aux. Transmitters at the Main Trans. site. (AUX. TRANSMITTER) 2-2-57						
WIRE	9-24-56	Pending filing of Lic. Appl., auth. gr. to Opr. WDEF-TV, Aux. transm. temp. Per. End. 2-2-57, Comm. basis accord. CP BPCT-2151.				

WIRE	12-5-56	PENDING FILING LICENSE APPLICATION, AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD. PCT-2150 to 2-2-57				
BMPCT-4769	1-31-57	same	same	same		10-2-56
Mod. CP (BPCT-2150) to extend compl. date (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.) 6-2-57						
BMPCT-4470	1/31/57	same	same	same		10-2-56
Mod. CP (BPCT-2151) to extend compl. date (AUX. TRANS.) 6-2-57						

B'S.

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

#2

Date first licensed

Call letters WDEF-TV

Name of licensee WDEF BROADCASTING CO.

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period From To
WIRE	2-1-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL.			EXT. AUTH.
		OPR. MAIN TR. & ANT. AND AUX. TR.			ACCORD.
		MPCT-4469 and MPCT-4470 to 6-2-57			
BLCCT-621	5-20-57	CH#12	V-316 kw	U	5-20-57 8-1-58
AH: 990'		204-210	A-158 kw		
		License to cover CP(BPCT-2150, as mod).			MAIN TRANS. & ANT.
BLCCT-623	5-20-57	same	same	same	5-20-57 8-1-58
		AUX. Trans.			
		License to cover CP(BPCT-2151, as mod).			
BRCT-164	7-16-58	same	same	same	8-1-58
		Main Trans. & Ant.			8-1-61
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-164	7-16-58	same	same	same	8-1-58
		Auxiliary Trans.			8-1-61
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-164	7-6-61	Ch #12	V-316 kw	U	8-1-61
AH: 990'		204-210	A-158 kw		
		RENEWAL OF LICENSE FOR MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA			8-1-64
BRCT-164	7-6-61	Ch #12	V-316 kw	U	8-1-61
		204-210 & maintenance use			8-1-64
		RENEWAL OF LICENSE FOR AUX. TRANS.			8-1-64
BTC-4463	2-12-64	VOLUNTARY TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF LICENSES CORPORATION FROM CARTER M. PARHAM, EDWARD FINLAY, JR., Z. CARTER PATTEN, RAYMOND B. WITT, JR., et al TO ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC. EFF: 3-2-64			
BALCT-232	2-28-64	Voluntary assignment of license to Roy H. Park Broadcasting Co. of Tennessee, Inc. EFF: 3-2-64			
BRCT-164	7-23-64	CH. #12	V-316kw	U	8-1-64
AH: 990' MSL:--		204-210	A-158kw		8-1-67
		MAIN TRANS. & ANT.			
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-164	7-23-64	CH. #12	FOR EMERGENCY, MAINT.		8-1-64
		204-210mc & TEST PURP. ONLY			8-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
WIRE	4-15-65	REURTEL 14.	AUTH. GRANTED OPERATE WDEF-TV		
		TEMP. PERIOD END 7-15-65	WITH 10 TO 20 PERCENT AURAL POWER		
		NECESSARY FILE FCC FORM 301 FOR PERMANENT AUTHORITY.			
BMLCT-297	9-2-65	CH. 12	V-316 kw	U	9-2-65
AH: 990'		204-210	A-52.5 kw		9-1-67
		MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA			
		Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP & modify aural trans.			

Form BC 126 Card # 3
June 1954

COMM. TV.

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WDEF-TV

Station location

Name of licensee ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.

Transmitter location See Card # 1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period	
					From	To
BPCT-3699	4-11-66	CH.#12	V-316kw	U	6-11-66	12-11-66
AH:1260' MSL:2549' 204-210 A-37.1kw CP to reduce ERP; install new antenna; change type of antenna and increase antenna height. MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA						

WIRE	10-18-66	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPER. WDEF-TV MAIN TRANS. AND ANT. ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BPCT-3699 ADVISE WHEN OPER. COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTH. 10-20-66				

WIRE	12-16-66	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPER. WDEF-TV AUX. ANT. ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES.				

BRCT-164	7-18-67	Same	Same	Same	8-1-67	8-1-70
AUX. TRANSMITTER		RENEWAL OF LICENSE				

BRCT-164	7-18-67	Same	Same	Same	8-1-67	8-1-70
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA		RENEWAL OF LICENSE				

BLCT-1619	8-2-67	CH-12	V-316	U	8-2-67	8-1-70
AH:1260' MSL:2549' 204-210		A-37.1 kw				
Lic. to cover CP(BPCT-3699)		MAIN TRANS. & ANT.				
BLCT-1653	8-4-67	CH-12	V-316 kw	EMERG.	8-4-67	8-1-70
AH: 990'		204-210	A-52.5 kw	MAINT.		
Lic. to utilize formerly licensed antenna as an Auxiliary.		& TEST ONLY AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA				
BRCT-164	7-31-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (s)			8-1-70	8-1-73

BTC-6701	10-27-71	Vol. T/C				

EDSA	5-15-72					

REPORT AND ORDER AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE adopted 4-11-73, released 4-16-73 changing offset from 12- to 12+.						
Wire	8-1-73	Pending compli. with report and order in docket no. 19510, auth. gtd continue oper. on CH-12 with minus offset freq. temp. per. ending 11-1-73				

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June 1954

COMMERCIAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

#2

Date first licensed

Call letters WDEF-TV

Station location CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Name of licensee ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From — To
BRCT-164	9-20-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-76
WIRE	10-30-73	Pending compliance with report and order in docket no. 19510 extend auth. gtd. continue operation on channel 12 with minus offset freq. temp. per. end. 2-1-74.			
WIRE	2-12-74	Pending compliance with rep. and order in Docket No. 19510, ext. auth. gtd. WDEF-TV cont. oper. on CH-12 with minus offset freq. temp. per. end. 5-1-74.			
WIRE	3-6-74	Auth. gtd WDEF-TV OPER. ON CH-12 WITH PLUS OFFSET FREQ. IN COMPL. WITH REPORT AND ORDER IN DOCKET NO. 19510.			
BRCT-164	11-24-76	Renewal of license (S)			12-1-77
Main Trans. and ant.		Aux. Trans. and ant.		(SHORT TERM)	
BRCT-790902KN	8-25-81	RENEWAL OF LIC. (S)			8-1-82

Card # 1

FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM TV B/C

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call

Letters ~~NEW~~ WDEF-TV

Name WDEF BROADCASTING CO.

x (P.O. 419 Volunteer State Life Building, Chattanooga 2, Tennessee)

(P.O. 3300 Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tenn) Ltr 11-17-58

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-989	6-27-52	CP for a new Commercial TV Broadcast station	GRANTED	1-28-54
Rec'd	6-30-52	FREQ: Ch # 12, 204-210 Mc.		
Filed	6-30-52	ERP: Vis. 120.2 kw, Aur. 60.1 kw		
		Hours of operation: Unlimited		
		S-L: 419 Volunteer Building, Chattanooga, Tennessee		
		T-L: On Hampton Road, 6.3 miles North of official Center of Chattanooga, Tenn. (Vis. & Aur. RCA, TT-10AH) (994')	Order Docket No. 10473	
		Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.		
Amended	3-6-53	Amended re stockholders		
Rec'd & Filed	3-6-53			
AMENDED	7-10-53	Amended to change ERP from Vis. 120.2 kw, Aur. 60.1 kw to Vis. 105.2 kw, Aur. 63.1 kw; and antenna height above average terrain from 994' to 944'		
Rec'd	7-10-53			
Filed	9-15-53			
AMENDED	10-2-53	Amended to change antenna height above average terrain from 944' to 994'		
Rec'd	10-5-53			
Filed	12-22-53			

Russell P. May, Engr.

Card # 2

FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call
Letters

WDEF-TV

Name WDEF BROADCASTING CO.

Chattanooga, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-1689 Recd. & Filed	3-8-54 3-9-54	Voluntary relinquishment of control of permittee corporation by Carter M. Parham and Edward Finley, Jr. to all stockholders of permittee corporation thru corporate reorganization and issuance of new stock. Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	GRANTED	4-14-54
BMPCT-2476 Recd & filed	9-9-54 9-10-54	Modification of CP (BPCT-989 which authorized a new commercial TV broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 9-28-54 to 12-28-54 Filed by Robert E. Hodson, Atty.	GRANTED	9-15-54
BMPCT-2928 Recd & filed (Ext. #2)	2-18-55 2-21-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-989, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) for extension of completion date from 3-28-55 to 9-28-55. Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	GRANTED	3-8-55

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Letters WDEF-TVName WDEF Broadcasting Co.
Chattanooga, Tenn.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-314 Recd & filed	5-26-55 5-26-55	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-989 as mod.) which auth a new comm TV b/c station Filed by <u>Ralph L. Walker, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	3-27-56
BPCT-2150 RECD & FILED (MAIN TRANSMITTERS)	6-11-56 6-12-56	Construction permit to make changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/c Station to change ERP from Vis. 105 kw, Aur. 63.1 kw to Vis. 316 kw Aur. 153 kw, install new transmitters & make other equipment changes. (994') (Vis. & Aur. RCA TT-50AH.) Filed by <u>Ralph L. Walker, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	8-2-56
BPCT-2151 RECD & FILED (AUXILIARY TRANSMITTERS)	6-11-56 6-12-56	Construction permit to install Aux. transmitters at the main transmitter site. (VIS. & AUR. RCA TT-2AH) Filed by <u>Ralph L. Walker, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	8-2-56

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

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Letters WDEF-TVName WDEF BROADCASTING CO.
Chattanooga, Tenn.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4469 Recd & Filed Ext. #1 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	12-27-56 12-28-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2150, which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-2-57 to 6-2-57. Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	Granted	1/31/57
BPCT-4470 Recd & Filed Ext. #1 AUX. TRANS.	12-27-56 12-28-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2151, which authorized installation of Auxiliary Transmitters at the Main Transmitter Site) to extend completion date from 2-2-57 to 6-3-57. Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	GRANTED	1/31/57
BLCT-621 Rec. & filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	5-7-57 5-9-57	License to cover CP(BPCT-2150, which authorized changes in existing Comm. TV B/C station. (MAIN) as Modified) Ralph L. Walker Atty	GRANTED	5-20-57
BLCT-623 Rec. & Filed AUXILIARY TRANSMITTERS	5-7-57 5-9-57	License to cover CP(BPCT-2151, which authorized installation of Auxiliary Transmitters (Aux) as Modified) Ralph L. Walker Atty	GRANTED	5-20-57

CARD #5

FORM BC-121

AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call
Letters W D E F - TVName W D E F BROADCASTING CO.Chattanooga, Tenn. (P.O. 3300 Broad St., Chattanooga, Tenn). Lt. 11-17-58

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-164 Recd & Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	4-16-58 4-16-58	Renewal of license which expires 8-1-58. Ralph Walker, Atty.	GRANTED	7-16-58
BRCT-164 Recd & Filed AUX. TRANS.	4-16-58 4-16-58	Renewal of license which expires 8-1-58. Ralph Walker, Atty.	GRANTED	7-16-58
BRCT-164 R & F MAIN TRANS & ANTENNA	4-14-61 4-27-61	Renewal of license Filed by Robert E. Hodson, Atty	GRANTED	7-6-61
BRCT-164 R & F AUXILIARY TRANSMITTERS	4-14-61 4-27-61	Renewal of license Filed by Robert E. Hodson, Atty	GRANTED	7-6-61

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WDEF-TV

ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.

Name WDEF BROADCASTING CO.
Chattanooga, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-4463 Rec & Filed	12-27-63 12-31-63	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Carter M. Parham, Edward Finlay, Jr., Z. Carter Patten, Raymond B. Witt, Jr., et al TO Roy H. Park Broadcasting of Tennessee, Inc. Quayle B. Smith, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: 3-2-64	2-12-64
BALCT-232 Rec. & filed	2-26-64 2-2 -64	Voluntary assignment of license to Roy H. Park Broadcasting Co. of Tennessee, Inc. Quayle B. Smith-atty	GRANTED EFF:	2-28-64 3-2-64
BRCT-164 Rec. & filed	4-15-64 5-4-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert E. HOdson, Atty.	GRANTED	7-23-64
MAIN TRANS. & ANT. BRCT-164 Rec. & filed	4-15-64 5-4-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert E. Hodson, Atty.	GRANTED	7-23-64
AUX. TRANSMITTER				

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

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Letters WDEF-TV

Name ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.
CH. #12 CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE Zip 37402

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLCT-297 R & F	7-7-65 7-9-65	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 159 kw to 52.5 kw and modify the aural transmitter.	GRANTED	9-2-65
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA BPCT-3699 R & F	1-3-66 1-5-66	Pierson, Ball, Dowd, Atty. Construction Permit to reduce Aural ERP from 52.5 kw to 37.3 kw; install a new antenna 105 feet west and slightly north of the present tower; change type of antenna to RCA TW-9A12-P and increase antenna height above average terrain to 1258 feet.	GRANTED	4-11-66
BLCT-1619 R & F	10-15-66 10-17-66	Pierson, Ball & Dowd, Atty. License to cover CP(BPCT-3699) which auth. changes in an existing station.	GRANTED	8-2-67
		Pierson, Ball & Dowd, Atty. Buford A Young, Eng. (Robert E. Hodson)		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

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Letters WDEF-TVName ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.
CH. 12 CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1653 R & F AUXILIARY ANTENNA	11-28-66 12-7-66	License to utilized formerly licensed antenna (RCA TF-12AII) as an Auxiliary Antenna. Robert E. Hodson, Atty. (Pierson, Ball, Dowd)	GRANTED	8-6-67
BRCT-164 R & F MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	4-22-67 5-1-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Pierson, Ball & Dowd, Atty. (Robert E. Hodson)	GRANTED	7-18-67
BRCT-164 R & F AUXILIARY TRANS.	4-22-67 5-1-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Pierson, Ball & Dowd, Atty. (Robert E. Hodson)	GRANTED	7-18-67
BRCT-164 R & F #180 #598676 Press P N recd Engr. data	4-17-70 5-4-70 5-4-70 5-4-70 7-1-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	GRANTED	7-31-70

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Letters WDEF-TV

Name ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.
CH-12 CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-6701 R & F #014343 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS	10-22-71 10-22-71 10-22-71 OCT 28 1971	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Park Broadcasting, Inc. (New York corporation) to Park Broadcasting, Inc. (Delaware corporation). Atty.: Robert W. Coll (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED EFF:	10-27-71 11-1-71
BRCT-164 R & F PN Rcd.: PRESS:	4-20-73 4-24-73 4-24-73 MAY 4 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Brian A. Johnson (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	GRANTED	4-20-73
Ltr. filed	10-4-73	re response of WDEF-TV		

PETITION FOR REFUND OF FEES filed 6-6-75 by Steven A. Lerman on behalf of Roy H. Park Broadcasting of the Tri-Cities, Inc.

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

TRANS.
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DATE
7/11/75

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters

Name ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.
CH-12 Chattanooga, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-164 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	3-22-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
	3-31-76	(MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANT.)(AUXILIARY TRANS. & ANT.)		
	3-31-76	Contours filed 3-31-76	GRANTED	11-24-76
	9 APR 1976	Atty: Robert W. Coll (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	Short Term to 12-1-77	
		Annual Reports Filed.	COMMISSION ACTION (over)	
		Amended 9-2-76 re equal employment		
		Amended 9-17-76 re equal employment		
BRCT-164	7-25-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
R&F	8-1-77	(Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Ant.)		
PN RECD	8-1-77	Atty.: Robert W. Coll		
PRESS	AUG 15 1977	No Contours filed: (Short Term Renewal expiring 12-1-77)		

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION letter 11-24-76 FCC 76-1098 43324: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That your applications for renewal of licenses of Stations WDEF-FM and WDEF-TV ARE GRANTED for a short-term license period to expire December 1, 1977, subject to the condition that you submit to the Commission with their 1977 renewal applications, the following information: (a) a list of employees as of July 1, 1977 by job title with part-time or full-time status indicated (ranked from highest paid to lowest paid), date of hire, sex, and race or national origin; (b) a list of persons hired from July 15, 1976 to July 1, 1977 indicating their job title and part-time or full-time status, date of hire, sex, and race or national origin; and (c) details concerning the stations' efforts to recruit for each position filled during the period noted in (b) above, including identification of sources used for the purpose of increasing the stations' pool of minority applicants.

CARD NO. 10

Form BC-121

May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call
Letters WDEF-TVName ROY H. PARK BROADCASTING OF TENNESSEE, INC.
CH. 12 CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT 790402KN R & F PN REC'd PRESS	3-2-79 4-82-79 4-02-79 79 04 25	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: ROBERT W. COLL {MCKENNA, WILKINSON & KITTNER}	GRANTED	8-25-81

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.

