

WDV-TV



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June 1975

First Operation: 1-11-49

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-16-50 (OEE.# 40)

Call letters WDVM-TVStation location WASHINGTON, D.C.CHANNEL 9Name of licensee THE EVENING NEWS ASSOCIATION (AL 5-18-78; Eff.: 6-26-78)Transmitter location 4001 Brandywine St., N. W. Washington, D. C.Main studio location 4001 Brandywine St., N. W. Washington, D. C.

B-S. CARD #1

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

WASHINGTON
WBVM-TV (6-26-78)

First Operation: 1-11-49

XWTOP-TV (8-1-50)

WOIC (4-9-47)

Date first licensed 5-16-50

Call letters **WBVM**

(Official #40)

(Station Loc: Washington, D.C.)

THE EVENING NEWS ASSOCIATION (AL 5-18-78; Eff: 6-26-78)
X POST-NEWSWEEK STATIONS, CAPITAL AREA, INC. (BALCT-337 gr. 9-26-67 EFF: 10-17-67)

X THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY (BALCT-31 7-1-56 EFF: 7-5-56)

X WTOP, INC. (BAL-5 7-25-50 EFF: 7-25-50)

X GENERAL TELE-RADIO, INC. (BPOT-674 12-29-49 EFF: 1-1-50)

Name of licensee X BARBER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.

4001 Brandywine St., Washington, D. C. (BPCT-1771, 10-6-53)

Transmitter location X 40th & Brandywine Sts., Washington, D. C.

4001 Brandywine St., Washington, D. C. (BPCT-1771, 10-6-53)

X 40th and Brandywine Sts., Washington, D.C. (5-18-50)

Main studio location X Washington, D. C.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From	To
31-PCT-41	4-26-46	Ch. #9, 186-193mc.	Effec. Unlimited power Sec. 3.661 radiated Vis: 30.25kw Aur: 34.5kw		By 6-26-46 to 12-26-46	
	better- C.P. issued					
		C.P. for a new commercial television B/C station				
31-MPCT-25	9-25-46	Mod. of C.P. (31-PCT-41) which authorized a new commercial television b/c station, for extension of commencement and completion dates only from 6-20-46 and 12-20-46 to 1-23-47 and 6-23-47, respectively				
31-MPCT-66	6-5-47	Mod. of C.P. (31-PCT-41) which authorized a new commercial television b/c station for extension of completion date from 1-23-47 to 12-23-47.				
31-PCT-136 31-PCT-137	12-15-47	Ch. #9, 186-192 mcs.	Eff. rad. U power: Vis. 27.3kw, Aur. 14.4kw.		1-23-47 6-23-48	
		Mod. of C.P. (31-PCT-41, which authorized new commercial television b/c station) to change equipment, effective radiated power, make antenna changes and for extension of completion dates.				
31-PCT-606	1-31-48	Transfer of control from L. Bamberger & Co. to R.H. Macy & Co., Inc.				
31-MPCT-234	6-9-48	Same	Same	Same	1-23-47 9-1-48	
		Mod. of C.P. (31-PCT-41, as mod.) for extension of completion date.				
31-MPCT-273	6-13-48	Same	Same	Same	1-23-47 1-15-49	
		Mod. of C.P. (31-PCT-41, as mod.) for ext. of completion date				
31-MPCT-274	1-2-49	Same	Same	Same	1-23-47 3-15-49	
		Mod. of C.P. (31-PCT-41, as mod.) for ext. of completion date				

B.S. CARD #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Date first licensed

Call letters W O I C

Name of licensee BAMBERGER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.

Transmitter location

Main studio location

Date first licensed

Call letters VOICName of licensee BAMBERGER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period		
					From	To	
	12-19-49						Resumption of STA to operate Commercial TV B/C Station WOIC and associated relay transmitters during other than period of regular program schedule, for the period 12-20-49 to 3-20-50; using Special Modulation to include nonstandard frame field and scanning rates.
BPCT-677	12-29-49	Same	Same	Same		1-23-47 7-30-50	
							Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod.) for ext. of completion date.
BPCT-674	12-29-49						Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which auth. new commercial tv b/c station) to change name from Banberger Broadcasting Service, Incorporated to General Teleradio, Inc.
	1-1-50						EFF:
	1-11-50						ERT of STA to operate Commercial TV B/C Station WOIC on a commercial basis in accordance with CP, period 1-31-50 to 7-30-50.
BLCT-52	5-16-50		Ch. #9, V-27.3 kw U 186-192 A-14.2 kw MCS			5-16-50 2-1-51	
							License to cover CP (BPCT-41 as mod.) to designate studio location, to change Air. ERP, antenna, power gain and aural operating power output.
BALCT-6	7-20-50						Voluntary assignment of license from General Teleradio, Inc. to WTOP, Inc.
BRCT-40	1-29-51	Same	Same	Same		2-1-51	2-1-52 Renewal of license
BRCT-40	1-30-52						EXTENSION LICENSE 2-1-52 5-1-52
BRCT-40	3-10-52	Same	Same	Same		3-10-52	10-1-52 Renewal of license
BRCT-40	9-18-52	Same	Same	Same		10-1-52	10-1-53 Renewal of License
BRCT-40	9-16-53	SAME	SAME	SAME		10-1-53	10-1-54 Renewal of License
BPCT-177	10-6-53	SAME	V-55kw A-27.5 kw	U		12-6-53 6-6-54	
							Chg. ERP, description of T-L and S-L, type of ant. and other equip. changes.

B-S CARD # 4

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD COMMERCIAL TV

Date first licensed

Call letters W T O P - TV

Name of licensee W T O P, INC.
 BAMBERGER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 7

Main studio location SEE CARD # 7

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
1-14-54	DTA Opr. Comm. basis with equip. specified in Lic. BRCT-40 except using RCA single section Ant. sidemounted on SW cor. of existing tower at approximately the 210 ft. level, same Ant. obstruction markings as previously supplied. Transmitter power output 5 KW Vis. 2.42 KW Aur.				
Period Ending 1-23-54					
1-20-54	STA Opr. Comm. basis exact accordance CP BRCT-1771				
Period Ending 6-6-54					
1-25-54	DTA Opr. Comm. basis with equip. specified in Lic. BRCT-40 except. using RCA Single section Ant. sidemounted on SW Corner of existing tower at approximately the 210 ft level, same Ant. obstruction markings as previously supplied. Transmitter power output 5 KW Vis., 2.42 KW Aur.				
Period Ending 1-27-54					
BPCT-2099	5-10-54	same	same	same	12-6-53
Mod CP (BRCT-1771) to extend completion date					12-6-54
9-12-54	EXT STA Operate Comm basis exact accordance CP				
BPCT-2099 pending filing of license appl. Per End 12-6-54					
BPCT-2161	6-15-54	Same	V-316 kw	Same	12-6-53
MAIN TRANS. & ANT (Also see card #5)					
Mod. of CP BRCT-1771 as mod., etc. to change ERP, type of transmitters and make other equipment changes.					
BPCT-1890	9-22-54	CH#9			emergency, etc. 11-22-54
AUXILIARY TRANS. 186-192mcs (Also see Card #5) 5-22-55					
AND ANT. CP to use currently lic. transmitters as Aux. Trans.					
BRCT-40	9-15-54	same	same	same	10-1-54 10-1-57
Conversion of obstruction marking specifications					
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
Wire	10-11-54	STA Opr. Accord CP			BPCT-2161 pending filing of Lic. appl. Period Ending 12-15-54.
Wire	10-22-54	STA Opr. Aux. Ant. & transm. on Comm. basis in accord. CP BRCT-1890. To be operated for Emerg. Maint. & test purposes only. Per. Ending 5-22-55.			
BPCT-2616	11-23-54	Same	Same	Same	12-6-53
(Main Trans. & Ant.) (Also see card #5)					
Mod. CP BRCT-1771, etc. to extend completion date					6-15-55
Wire	11-30-54	EXT. STA Opr. accord CP			BPCT-2616 pending filing of Lic. appl. Period Ending 6-15-55.

SEE CARD #5

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CARD #5

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters **W T O P-TV**

Name of licensee **W T O P, 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
BPCT-2161 BPCT-2616 (Main Trans. & Ant.) (Report & Order- Doc. 11194, eff. 1-6-56)	1-6-56	Mod. of C.P. to change offset carrier frequencies to V-187.25 Mc., A-191.75 Mc. (from Ch. 9 minus to 9 even)			12-6-53 3-6-56
BPCT-1890 (Aux. Trans. & Ant.)	1-6-56	Mod. of C.P. to change , as above		V-	11-22-54 3-6-56
1-6-56 (Aux)		STA OPERATE carrier frequencies A-191.74 mc. (same as BPCT-1890 dated 9-22-54) (Period 1-6-56 - 3-1-56)			
1-6-56 (Main)		STA Operate carrier frequencies A-191.74 mc. (same as BPCT-2161 dated 6-15-54) (Period 1-6-56 - 3-6-56)			
BLCT-283 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	1-27-56	Ch. #9 186-192mcs.	V. 316kw A. 174kw	U	1-27-56 10-1-57 (530 feet)
License to cover CP(BPCT-1771, as mod.) which auth. changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station.					
BLCT-305 AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	1-27-56	Ch. #9 186-192mcs.	WOODSHEK Energ., etc.		1-27-56 10-1-57
License to cover CP(BPCT-1890) which auth. maintenance of Aux. Transmitters and installation of auxiliary ant. at the main trans. site of WTOP-TV.					
BALCT-31	7-3-56	Voluntary assignment of license to The Washington Post Company. EFF: 7-3-56			
BRCT-40 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	9-25-57	same	same	same	10-1-57 10-1-60 RENEWAL OF LICENSE
BRCT-40 AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	9-25-57	same	same	same	10-1-57 10-1-60 RENEWAL OF LICENSE
WIRE 10-23-57 AUTH. GR. OPR. WTOP-TV TEMP. WITHOUT SIDE BAND FILTER PER. END. 11-23-59, PROVIDED NO INTERFERENCE IS CAUSED. ADVISE					
BRCT-40 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	9-28-60	same	same	same	10-1-57 60 10-1-63
BRCT-40 AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	9-28-60	same	same	same	10-1-57 60 10-1-63

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Date first licensed

Call letters WTOP-TV

Station location

Name of licensee THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period		
					From	To	
BRCT-40	10-15-63	CH.#9	---Emerg.	Test &	10-15-63		
AUX. TRANS. & ANT.		186-192		Maint. Only	10-1--66		
RENEWAL OF LICENSE							
BRCT-40	10-15-63	CH.#9	V-316 kw	U	10-15-63		
AH: 530'		186-192A-174 kw			10-1--66		
Main Trans. & Antenna RENEWAL OF LICENSE							
BTC-4417	12-20-63	Voluntary transfer of licensee corporation from Phillip L. Graham, deceased to (Mrs.) Katharine Graham. EFF:					
WIRE	1-5-66	RELETATIY 29. PENDING FILING FCC FORM 301 FOR PERMANENT CHANGE, AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WTOP-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 3-1-66 WITH AURAL POWER BETWEEN 10 & 20 PERCENT OF AUTHORIZED VISUAL POWER.					
BMLCT-563	3-9-66	same	same	same	3-9-66		
Main Trans. & Antenna			A-47.9		10-1-66		
Mod. of license to red. aural ERP							
BRCT-40	9-1-66	Ch.9	V-316	U	10-1-66		
			A47.9kw		10-1-69		
RENEWAL OF LICENSE Main Trans. & Ant.							
BRCT-40	9-1-66	Ch.9	FOR EMERGENCY, TEST &		10-1-66		
MAINTENANCE PURPOSES ONLY. RENEWAL OF LICENSE							
AUX. TRANS. & ANT.					10-1-69		
BALCT-337	9-26-67	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO POST-NEWSWEEK STATION, CAPITAL AREA, INC. EFF: 10-17-67					
Wire	7-24-69	Auth. gtd. conduct experiments using 2 tone signals recom*d by NIAC transmission standards working group for EBS period ending 10-21-69					
BRCT-40	11-25-69	Ren. of Lic.			10-1-72		
(Main Trans. & Ant.)(S); Aux. Trans. & Ant.(S)							
BPCT-4367	11-4-70	CP install Alternate Main Final Amplifier			1-4-71		
					5-4-72		
BPCT-4390	2-9-71	Ch. 9	V. 316 kw	U	4-9-71		
AH: 780' MSL: 1049'		186-192A.	47.9 kw		8-9-72		
CP chg. ANT. Structure & All MAIN TRANS. (WITH ALTERNATE VISUAL FINAL AMPLIFIERS) & ANT							
BTC-6537	4-28-71	Vol. T/C					

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Call letters WTOP-TV

Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period From To
WIRE	3-23-72	RE TENDERED LIC.	APPLI. AUTH. GR.		
OPER. MAIN TRANS. AND ANT. ON PTA ACCORD CP BPCT-4367.					
BLCT-2148	5-5-72	Lic. (BPCT-4367) chg.			10-1-72
MAIN TRANS. (WITH ALTERNATE VIS. FINAL AMPLIFIER) AND ANT.					
Wire	5-10-72	Pending Comm. act. on PCT-4526 auth.			
gtd. install & oper. RCA TT-50AH Alt. Main Trans. temp. ending 8-10-72 with existing tower & ant. sys.					
ERSA	5-15-72				
BMPCT-7413	7-17-72	MP (BPCT-4390) ext. date			1-17-73
WIRE	7-26-72	ABOVE AUTH. (WIRE 5-10-72) ext. to			11-10-72
WIRE	8-17-72	PENDING COMPLETION CONSTRUCTION ACCOR			
BPCT-4526 AND FIL. LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. ALTERNATE MAIN TRANS. WITH CURRENTLY LIC. ANT. AS REQ. TEMP. PER. ENDED 11-14-72					
BPCT-4526	8-17-72	Ch. 9	V. 302kw	U	10-17-72
BMPCT-7389		186-192A.	44.7		2-17-74
AH: 770' MSL: 1049'					
CP & MP TO CHG. TYPE ANT. & INSTALL ALTERNATE MAIN TRANS.					
Wire	10-26-72	Auth. contained in wire of 8-17-72			1-9-73.
Wire	12-8-72	Pending filing lic. appl., auth. gtd.			
oper. temp. per. end. 3-8-73 accord. BMPCT-7389/BPCT-4526. Advise when oper. commences under this auth.					
Wire	11-30-72	Vol. TC			
Wire	2-27-73	Pending filing lic. appl., ext'n. auth.			
gtd. oper. temp. per. end. 5-7-73 accord. MP-7389/BP-4526.					
Wire	3-13-73	Re tendered lic. appls., auth. gtd.			
oper. Alt. Main transmitters & Main ant. PTA accord. 73.629 & BPCT-4526/BMPCT-7389 except with Aur. ERP 10% of Vis. ERP.					
BPCT-40	7-23-75	Renewal of license (S)			10-1-75
MAIN TRANSMITTER (WITH ALT VISUAL FINAL AMPLIFIER) & ANT.					
BLCT-2207	9-12-75	Ch. 9	V. 302 kW	U	10-1-75
AH: 770' MSL: 1049'		186-192 A.	30.2 kW		10-1-78
RENEWAL & MODIFICATION ALTERNATE-MAIN TRANS. & MAIN ANT.					

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed

Call Letters WDVM-TVStation Location WASHINGTON, D.C.Name THE EVENING NEWS ASSOCIATION

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BRET-40	5-11-79	Renewal of License (S)	10-1-81

Call W-W-2-2 W O I C
 Letters -New- (4-947)

X THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY (BALCT-31 7-3-56 off: 7-5-56)

Name BAMBERGER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC. 1440 Broadway, New York, 18, N. Y.

~~(R.O. Pauline Street and Park Ave., New York)~~

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
(P.O. 605 S. Main Street, Jacksonville, Fla.) (701 dated 3-7-55)				
B1-PCT-41 Recd	2-24-44 3-2-44	Construction permit for new commercial television broadcast station. Frequency: Channel 4, 78000-84000 kcs ESR: to be determined. Hours of Operation: Unlimited Time Transmitter: in or near Washington, D. C. Studio: To be supplied Amended to give description of transmitters and other technical data. (Aural: RCA, FM-3A Max. 3kw) (Visual: RCA, P-1 Max. 1kw)	(7014 GRANTED	DOCKET #) 4-26-46
Amended Recd Filed	4-5-44 4-7-44 4-7-44		Letter written 6-11-46 - granted subject to approval of transmitter site by Civil Aeronautics Administration	C.P. issued
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	10-26-45 10-31-45 10-31-45	Amended to change frequency from Ch. #4, 78-84 mcs., to Ch. #5, 76-82 mcs., ESR from to be determined to 1496, transmitter location from in or near Washington, D.C. to 40th & Brandywine Sts., Washington, D.C. type of transmitter from Aur: RCA FM-3A Max. 3kw to Dumont 1003 Max. 12.5 kw & Vis: RCA T-1 Max. 1kw to Dumont (see card #2)		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

W O I C (4-3-47)

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~~W-N-B-R~~

Letters

~~W-N-B-R~~Name BAMBERGER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B1-PCT-41	Cont'd	1004 Max. 25kw(peak), and to specify antenna system.		
B1-MPCT-25 Rec'd Filed	9-9-46 9-10-46 9-10-46	Mod. of C.P.(B1-PCT-41) which authorized a new commercial television broadcast station, for extension of commencement and completion dates only from 6-26-46 and 12-26-46 to <u>1-23-47</u> and <u>6-23-47</u> , respectively.	GRANTED	9-25-46
BMPCT-66 Rec'd Filed	5-21-47 5-23-47 5-23-47	Mod. of C. P.(B1-PCT-41) which authorized a new commercial television broadcast station) for extension of completion date from <u>6-23-47</u> to <u>12-23-47</u> .	GRANTED	6-5-47
BMPCT-136 Rec'd Filed	11-14-47 11-17-47 11-17-47	Mod. of C.P.(B1-PCT-41 which authorized a new commercial television broadcast station) for extension of completion date from <u>12-23-47</u> to <u>6-23-48</u> . Filed by Lester Cohen, Att'y	GRANTED	12-15-47

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Name BAMBERGER BROADCASTING SERVICE, INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-137 Rec'd Filed	11-26-47 11-26-47 11-26-47	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-41, which authorized new commercial television b/c station) to change equipment to Vis. & Aur. RCA, Type, TT5A and power to ERP: Vis. 27.27 kw, Aur. 14.35 kw. <i>and transmission of filed by Lester. Chen, Att'y</i>	GRANTED	12-15-47
BTC-606 Rec'd Filed	1-8-48 1-12-48 1-12-48	Voluntary transfer of Control/ ^{of licensee corporation} from L Bamberger & Co. to R.H. Macy & Company, Inc.	GRANTED	1-31-48
BMPBT-234 Rec'd Filed	5-19-48 5-20-48 5-20-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-41, as mod., which authorized new commercial tel. b/c station) for extension of completion date from 6-23-48 to 9-1-48 Filed by Corwin R. Lockwood, Att'y	GRANTED	6-9-48
BMPCT-279 Rec'd Filed	7-26-48 7-28-48 7-28-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-41, as mod. which authorized new commercial tel. b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-48 to 1-15-49 Filed by Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty	GRANTED	8-13-48

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Letters W D I CName Bamberger Broadcasting Service, Incorporated.
W.D.C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-394 Recd. Filed	12-9-48 12-13-48 12-13-48	Mod of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 1-15-49 to 3-15-49. Filed by Lester Cohen, Att'y.	GRANTED	1-6-49
BMPCT-456 Recd & Filed	3-10-49 3-10-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 5-1-49 to 5-1-49. Filed by Jerome R. Lockwood, Att'y.	GRANTED	3-3-49
BMPCT-485 Recd & Filed	3-24-49 3-29-49.	Mod. of CP. (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 5-1-49 to 6-15-49. Filed by Lester Cohen, Att'y.	GRANTED	4-5-49
BMPCT-582 Recd & Filed	7-25-49 7-27-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-49 to 11-30-49 Filed by Lester Cohen, Att'y.	GRANTED	8-3-49
BMPCT-637 Recd & Filed	10-24-49 10-25-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 11-30-49 to 1-30-50. Filed by Lester Cohen, Att'y.	GRANTED	11-14-49

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W T O P, INC.

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GENERAL TELERADIO, INC.

Letters W O I C

Name Bamberger Broadcasting Service, Incorporated

Wash. D. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-674 Recd & Filed	12-23-49 12-27-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV B/a station) to change name from Bamberger Broadcasting Service, Incorporated to <u>General Teleradio, Inc.</u> Filed by Lester Cohen, Atty.	GRANTED	12-29-49
BMPCT-677 Recd & Filed	12-23-49 12-27-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-41 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV B/c station) for extension of completion date from 1-30-50 to <u>7-30-50.</u> Filed by Lester Cohen, Atty.	GRANTED	12-29-49
BLCT-52 Recd & Filed	1-18-50 1-31-50	License to cover CP (BPCT-41 as mod.) which authorized new Comm. TV B/c station. Filed by Corwin G. Lockwood, Atty.	GRANTED	5-16-50
BALCT-6 Recd & Filed	6-28-50 6-28-50	Voluntary assignment of license from General Teleradio, Inc. to <u>WTOP, Inc.</u> Filed by Lester Cohen, Atty. W6IC Philip G. Loucks, Atty. WTOP, Inc.	GRANTED	7-26-50

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters WTOP-TV

Name W T O P, INC.
Washington, D. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-40 Recd & Filed	12-1-50 12-1-50	Renewal of license Filed by Verne R. Young, Atty. Fontaine C. Bradley, Atty. Let-1-22-51	GRANTED	1-29-51
BRCT-40 Recd & Filed	11-1-51 11-2-51	Renewal of License Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty. (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	3-19-52
BRCT-40 Recd & Filed	6-30-52 6-30-52	Renewal of License Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Attorney	GRANTED	9-18-52
BRCT-40 Recd & Filed	6-30-53 6-30-53	Renewal of License. Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Attorney	GRANTED	9-16-53

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Commercial TV

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call
Letters WTOP-TVName WTOP, INC.
Washington, D. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1771 Recd Filed	9-1-53 9-2-53 9-2-53	CP to make changes in existing commercial TV b/c station to change ERP from Vis. 27.3 kw, Aur. 14.2 kw to Vis 54.9 kw, Aur. 27.5 kw change description of studio and transmitter location from 40th and Brandywine Streets, Washington, D. C. to 4001 Brandywine Street, Washington, D. C. and correct co-ordinates (not a move) change type of antenna and make other equipment change. (530') Filed by Ernest W. Jennea, Atty.	GRANTED	10-6-53
BMFCT-2099 Recd. Filed	5-3-54 5-3-54 5-3-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1771, which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 6-6-54 to 9-6-54. Filed direct,	GRANTED	5-10-54

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Letters WTOP-TVName WTOP, INC.
Washington, D. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-2161 Recd. Filed (Main Trans. & Ant.)	6-2-54 6-2-54 6-2-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1771, as mod., which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to change ERP from Vis. 55 kw Aur. 27.6 kw to Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 175 kw, change type of transmitters and make other equipment changes. (RCA TT-50 AH) (530') Filed by Ernest W. Jenness, Atty.	GRANTED	6-15-54
BRCT-40 Recd Filed	7-1-54 7-2-54 7-13-54	Renewal of license Filed by Ernest W. Jenness, Atty.	GRANTED	9-15-54
BPCT-1890 Recd.&Filed Aux. Trans. & Ant.	8-18-54 8-24-54	Construction Permit to use currently licensed transmitters as auxiliary transmitters and to install a 1 Bay auxiliary antenna at present transmitter site. (RCA-TT-5A) (707') Filed by Ernest W. Jenness, Atty.	GRANTED	9-22-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BMPCT-2616 Recd & Filed (Main Trans. & Ant.)	11-5-54 11-5-54 11-8-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1771 as modified, which auth. changes in facilities of existing commercial TV broadcast station) to extend completion date from 12-15-54 to 2-28-55 Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty	GRANTED	11-23-54
BLCT-283 Recd & filed (Main Trans. & Ant)	2-25-55 2-25-55	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-1771 as modified) which authorized changes in facilities of existing commercial TV broadcast station Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED	1-27-56
BLCT-305 Recd & filed (Aux. Trans. & Ant)	5-2-55 5-4-55	License to cover CP (BPCT-1890) which auth. maintenance of Aux. Trans. and installation of auxiliary antenna at the main transmitter site of WTOP-TV Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED	1-27-56
BAICT-31 REC'D & FILED	6-19-56 6-19-56	Voluntary assignment of license to The Washington Post Company Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty. <small>W.C. WASHINGTON, D.C.</small>	GRANTED EFF:	7-3-56 7-5-56

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THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-40 Recd & filed Main trans & antenna	7-3-57 7-5-57	Renewal of license Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED	9-25-57
BRCT-40 Recd & filed Aux. Antenna & Trans.	7-3-57 7-5-57	Renewal of license Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED	9-25-57
BRCT-40 Recd. & Filed Main Trans. & Antenna	7-5-60 7-5-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED	9-28-60
BRCT-40 Recd. & Filed Aux. Ant. & Trans.	7-5-60 7-5-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED	9-28-60
BRCT-40 Recd. & Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	6-29-63 7-1-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE direct	GRANTED	10-15-63
BRCT-40 Recd. & Filed AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	6-29-63 7-1-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE direct	GRANTED	10-15-63

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BTC-4417 Recd.&Filed	10-25-63 10-25-63	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Philip L. Graham, deceased to (Mrs.) Katharine Graham. Ernest W. Jennes, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-20-63
BMLCT-563 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	2-21-66 2-23-66	Modification of License to reduce Aural ERP from 174 kw to 47.5 kw. Covington & Burling, Atty.	Granted	3-9-66
BRCT-40 R & F MAIN TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA	6-30-66 7-5-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Covington & Burling, Atty.	GRANTED	9-1-66
BRCT-40 R & F AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA	6-30-66 7-5-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Covington & Burling, Attys.	GRANTED	9-1-66

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POST-NEWSWEEK STATION, CAPITAL AREA, INC.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3916 R & F	1-24-67 2-6-67	Construction Permit to make the following changes: ERP Vis. 153.5 kw (HORZ); Aur. 30.7 kw (HORZ); transmitter location 2400 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, Md.; type of transmitters RCA TT50DH-LA; type of antenna RCA TW9A9R; antenna structure and increase antenna height above average terrain to 1241 feet. Edgar F. Czarra, Jr. Atty. George C. Davis, Engr. SEE BACK OF CARD FOR PETITIONS See card #13 for Amendment	RESUBMITTED Pursuant to request of licensee	OCT 24 1967
BALCT-337 R & F (316) SEP	9-11-67 9-11-67 19 1967	Voluntary assignment of license to Post Newsweek Station, Capital Area, Inc. Covington & Burling, attys	GRANTED EFF:	9-26-67 10-17-67

MOTION TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS AS BEING FOR MAJOR CHANGE AND TO MAKE APPLICABLE THE PROVISIONS OF 47CFR1.580 filed 2-15-67 FOR FOREST GLEN CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS

PETITION TO DENY filed 3-15-67 by Forest Glen Citizens' Association

PETITION TO DENY filed 3-16-67 by Seymour M. Chase for Washington Civic Television, Inc.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION filed 3-27-67 by Forest Glen Citizens' Association

STATEMENT ON REQUEST OF PETITIONERS FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 3-29-67 filed by attys. for WTOP, WMAL, WTTG, ETC.

JOINT OPPOSITION TO WASHINGTON CIVIC TELEVISION, INC. "PETITION TO DENY filed 3-29-67 by attys. for WTOP, WMAL, WTTG, ETC.

JOINT OPPOSITION OF TELEVISION STATIONS TO "PETITION TO DENY" TENDERED BY FOREST GLEN CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, ET AL. filed 3-29-67 by attys. for WTOP, WMAL, WTTG ETC.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 3-31-67 by Seymour M. Chase for Washington Civic Television, Inc.

REPLY filed 4-10-67 by Seymour M. Chase on behalf of Washington Civic Television, Inc.

REPLY TO APPLICANTS' OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 4-10-67 by Forest Glen Citizens' Association

LTR. from atty. 1-9-68 submitting a copy of the unanimous Opinion of the Court of Appeals of Md. in the case of Albert G. Levy, et al V. Montgomery County affirming the Circuit Court for Montgomery County which in turn had affirmed the action of the Board of Appeals for Montgomery County granting a special exception for the proposed television tower for

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3916 AMENDED R & F	Cont'd 11-13-67 11-13-67	AMENDED to change name to Post-Newsweek Stations, Capital Area, Inc. (financial)	DISMISSED SEE CARD #12	10-24-68

BRCT-40 R & F \$180 #526884 PN Recd. MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA PRESS	7-2-69 7-3-69 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Ernest W. Jennes, Atty. (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION	11-25-69
AMEND. R & F SEE OTHER SIDE FOR PETITION	8-21-69	Re commercial matter limits (Sect. IV-B).		
ENGR. DATA file	5-8-70			

BRCT-40

INFORMAL COMPLAINT AND PROTEST filed 9-23--69 by Allen C. Phelps

Informal complaint filed 9-25-69 by Federation of Citizens Associations of the District of Columbia.

STATEMENT OF WTOP-TV REGARDING INFORMAL COMPLAINT OF ALLEN C. PHELPS AND LETTER OF FEDERATION OF CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA filed 10-7-69 by Ernest W. Jenness for WTOP.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4367 R & F ✓ #609645 \$30 PRESS:	6-15-70 6-17-70 6-17-70 JUN 29 1970	CP to install Alternate Main Visual Final Amplifier (RCA TT-50AH). Atty.: J. C. Roberts (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	11-4-70
BPCT-4390 R & F ✓ #631209 \$50 AC: 062 PRESSP 5	9-21-70 9-21-70 9-21-70	CP to chg. TL (same site desc.; 100 ft. N. of present site)(38-57-01 77-04-47); make chgs. in ant. structure (incr. hght.); chg. type ant. to RCA TF-12BH Special; and HAAT 777 ft. (Main Trans. & Ant.) Atty.: C. M. Little (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	2-9-71

Annual License Fee \$2600.00 paid 9-25-70 #632099.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-6537 R & F #675259 \$250 AC: 055 PREBS:	3-25-71 3-25-71 3-25-71 MAR 31 1971	Voluntary transfer of control of The Washington Post Company (Parent corporation of Post-Newsweek Station., Inc. which is parent corporation of Licensee Corporation) from Wilmington Trust Company to Katharine Graham. Ernest W. Jennes (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED EFF: COMMISSION ACTION	4-28-71
BICT-2148 R & F #053235 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	3-17-72 3-21-72 3-21-72 MAR 30 1972	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4367) for an Alternate Main Visual Final Amplifier. Atty.: Christopher M. Little (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	5-5-72
EMPCT-7389 R & F #065680 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	4-19-72 4-20-72 4-20-72 APR 26 1972	MP(BPCT-4390) to chg. type ant. to GE TY-70-R and HAAT to 770 ft. Atty.: Christopher M. Little (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED issued with RM BPCT-4526	8-17-72

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BPCCT-4526 R & F #067711 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	4-26-72	CP to install an Alternate-Main trans. (Vis. RCA TT-50AH; Aur. RCA TT-10AH) at Main Trans. Ant. location. Atty.: Christopher M. Little (Covington & Burling) Ltr. 6-9-72 from atty. submitting engr. data. Amended 7-28-72 re engr. data.	GRANTED	8-17-72 issue with BMPCT-7389
	4-27-72			
	4-27-72			
	MAY 9 1972			
BMPCT-7413 R & F #088858 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	6-26-72	MP(BPCT-4390 as mod.) to extend completion date to 1-31-73. Atty.: Christopher M. Little (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	7-17-72
	6-30-72			
	6-30-72			
	JUL 13 1972			
BRCT-40 R & F PN REC PRESS	6-30-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. (WITH ALT. VIS. FINAL AMPLIFIER) & ANT. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX Ernest W. Jennes (Covington & Burling) Amended 8-14-72 re Sec. VI AMENDED 10-27-72 re bus. interests & equal employment AMENDED 12-7-72 re programming	GRANTED	7-23-75
	7-3-72			
	7-3-72			
	JUL 21 1972			

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PETITION TO DENY filed 9-1-72 by Forbes Blair for Aligned Citizens United for TV Equality.

PETITION TO PREVENT EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION filed 9-1-72 by Media Task Force et al.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 9-14-72 by Ernest W. Jennes on behalf of WTOP-TV.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 9-25-72 by Forbes W. Blair for ACUTE.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 10-19-72 by Forbes W. Blair for ACUTE.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 10-30-72 by Albert H. Kramer on behalf of Citizens Communications Center.

MOTION TO BE NAMED PARTY filed 11-7-72 on behalf of Arlington County Civic Federation

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 11-22-72 by Forbes W. Blair on behalf of ACUTE

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO "REPLY TO LICENSEES' OPPOSITIONS TO PETITION TO PREVENT EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION filed 11-28-72 by Albert Kramer on behalf of Petitioners.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO STRIKE filed 12-4-72 by Albert H. Kramer on behalf of Petitioners

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 1-2-73 by Forbes W. Blair on behalf of ACUTE

MOTION TO STRIKE filed 2-16-73 by Ernest W. Jennes on behalf of WTOP-TV

OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO STRIKE filed 2-26-73 by Forbes W. Blair on behalf of ACUTE

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 6-10-75, released 6-23-75 FCC 75-695 35539: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition to deny filed by ACUTE IS DISMISSED and, when treated as an informal objection, IS DENIED. (Because of other matters pending in connection with WTOP-TV's 1972 renewal application, we must continue to defer final action on it.)

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-40 (AMENDMENTS CONTINUED)		AMENDED 1-5-73 re equal employment AMENDED 2-20-73 re other business interest AMENDED 3-9-73 to submit addit'l. information. Ltr. 3-1-73 requesting dismissal of Renewal application for Auxiliary Trans. & Ant.		

1972 Renewal Granted 7-23-75: Memorandum Opinion and Order adopted 7-23-75, released 8-6-75, FCC 75-889 36329: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the "Petition to Prevent Employment Discrimination" filed September 1, 1972 by Cynthia Clark Matthews individually and as coordinator for Media Task Force et al., IS GRANTED to the extent indicated above and DENIED in all remaining aspects. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the following license renewal applications ARE GRANTED for the remainder of their current terms (to October 1, 1975); WETA-FM-TV, WASH-FM, WMAL-AM-FM-TV, WTOP-AM-TV, WWDC-AM-FM and WDCA-TV

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			Nature	Date
BTC-7004 R & F #126775 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS: (Form 316)	11-10-72 11-10-72 11-10-72 NOV 15 1972	Voluntary transfer of control of The Washington Post Company (parent corporation of Post-Newsweek Stations, Inc., parent corporation of licensee) from Katharine Graham to Katharine Graham, Individually and as Trustee for certain Trusts for the Graham Children. Atty.: Ernest W. Jennes (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED EFF:	11-30-72 7-10-73
BLCT-2207 R & F #159154 \$50 #159155 \$50 AC-069 PRESS:	3-1-73 3-5-73 3-5-73 3-5-73 APR 11 1973	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4390 and BPCT-4526) for chgs. Atty: Nicholas W. Fels (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED Issued with Renewal	12-12-75

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRCT-40	continued	Amended 3-9-73 re additional information Amended 5-1-73 re legal Amended 7-6-73 re other business interests Amended 2-13-74 re equal employment Amended 3-22-74 re legal and equal employment Amended 4-15-74 re equal employment. Amended 8-14-74 re ownership. Amended 10-11-74 re legal. Amended 11-15-74 re equal employment Amended 12-11-74 re ownership. Letter 11-15-74 re complaint. Amended 1-10-75 re ownership Amended 6-24-75 re signatures.		

REQUEST FOR DECLARATORY RULING filed 8-31-73 by Ernest Jenness on behalf of Post-Newsweek
Stations, (WTOP-TV) -----

Ltr 2-13-74 from Christopher M. Little on behalf of WJXT re complaint against WTOP-TV. -----

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Name THE EVENING NEWS ASSOCIATION
X POST-NEWSWEEK STATION, CAPITAL AREA, INC.
CH-9 Washington, D. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRCT-40 Rec. Filed PN RECD PRESS:	5-27-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE APPLICATION	GRANTED	9-12-75
	6-2-75	MAIN TRANS. (WITH ALT VIS. FINAL AMPLIFIERS)	Issued with	BLCT-2207
	6-24-75	& ANT.		
	6-2-75	Annual Report Filed		
	5 JUL 1975	Atty: Ernest W. Jenness (Covington & Burling)		
		Amended 8-1-75 re equal employment.		
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BALCT-677 R&F PN RECD PRESS (Form 314)	1-25-78	Voluntary assignment of license to	GRANTED	5-18-78
	1-25-78	The Evening News Association.	COMMISSION ACTION	
	2-21-78	(Request for issuance of Tax Certificate)	EFF:	6-26-78
	JAN 30 1978	Attys.: Assignor: William Green (Pierson, Ball and Dowd)	Tax Certificate mailed	5-19-78
		Assignee: Jonathan Blake (Covington & Burling)		
	Amended 2-21-78 re			
	Amended 3-31-78 re legal			
	Amended 10-23-78 re additional information			

BALCT-677

Ltr. 3-1-78 from William Green submitting ltr. to Fluria Marshall re proposals of The Evening News Association in its portion of application.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 5-18-78, released 5-25-78 FCC 78-332 94933: In view of the foregoing, IT IS ORDERED, that the above-captioned applications ARE GRANTED.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-40 R&F PN RECD PRESS	6-1-78 6-1-78 6-1-78 JUN 13 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant. with Alt. Vis. Final Amp) Atty.: Paul Berman	GRANTED	5-11-79
BRCT- 810529KE R&F PN REC'D	5-20-81 5-28-81 5-29-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: WILLIAM S. GREEN {PIERSON, BALL AND DOWD}		

PETITION TO DENY OR TO RENEW FOR ONLY ONE YEAR filed 8-15-78 by Christopher W. Walker and James H. Burch (See WRC-TV)

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 9-14-78 by William Green for WDVM-TV

PETITIONER'S REPLY filed 10-3-78 by Walker & Burch.

MEMORANDUM OF OPINION AND ORDER adopted 2-14-79, released 3-2-79 FCC 79-100 5144: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition to deny, filed by Christopher W. Walker and James H. Burch, IS DENIED. (Due to other unresolved matters, the license renewal application of WDVM-TV cannot be granted at this time).

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LETTER 10-31-80 by William S. Green for The Evening News Association; re financial status.

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.

