

WINK-TV



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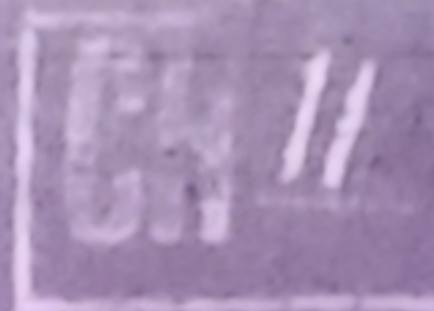
**Patent No. 1,190,129**

B S CARD # 1

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD COMMERCIAL TV

First Operation: 3-18-54(Started 3-18-54)

Date first licensed 3-27-56(Off.# 163)



Call letters WINK-TV  
(Station Loc: Fort Myers, Florida)

Name of licensee Fort Myers Broadcasting Company

State Highway 31, 3.8 miles south of Tuckers Corner, Florida (BPCT-3691 5-24-66)

Transmitter location X 54 East 1st St., Fort Myers, Florida

2824 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida (BLCT-1675--7-18-67)

Main studio location X 54 East 1st St., Fort Myers, Florida

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--	
BPCT-875	3-11-53	Ch. #11, 198-204 Mcs	V-9.6kw A-4.8kw	U	5-11-53 11-11-53	
Conditional clause						
Construction permit for a new Commercial TV B/C station						
BMPCT-1701	9-25-53	same	V. 11.2 kw A. 5.62 kw	U	5-11-53 2-11-54	
Mod. CP(BPCT-875) to change ERP, make antenna and other equipment changes.						
BMPCT-1774	1-28-54	same	same	same	5-11-53	
Mod. CP(BPCT-875, as mod) to extend completion date 8-11-54						
3-18-54 STA Opr. Comm basis accordance CP BMPCT-1774 Per. End						
auth. opr. without vestigial sideband filter Per. Ending						
4-18-54.						
BMPCT-2338	8-3-54	same	same	same	5-11-53	
Mod. CP(BPCT-875, as mod) to extend completion date 2-11-55						
wire 8-5-54 Mod. EXT STA Opr. Comm basis exact accord						
CP BMPCT-2338 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Per. End. 2-11-55						
BTC-1811	9-17-54	Invol. transfer of negative control of				
Eff. 10-5-54						
permittee corporation from Daniel Sherby						
to Clementine F. Sherby and Sylvester W.						
Flesheim, Executors of the Estate of						
Daniel Sherby, Deceased.						
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WIRE	1-26-55	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT				
2778 pending filing of lic. Appl. Per. End. 8-11-55.						
BMPCT-2778	1-26-55	same	same	same	5-11-53	
Mod. CP(BPCT-875, as mod) to extend completion date 8-11-55						
BTC-1909	3-16-55	Acquisition of negative control				
Eff: of permittee corporation by Edward J.						
McBride (50%) and Arthur B. McBride, Jr. (50%) through the						
sale by Clementine F. Sherby and Sylvester W. Flesheim,						
Executors of the estate of Daniel Sherby, deceased of 50%						
of the outstanding stock of parent to the parent corp.						
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BMPCT-3091	5-6-55	same	V-11.7 kw A-5.89 kw	same	5-11-53 11-6-55	
AH 320 ft.						
Mod. CP(BPCT-875, as mod) to chg. ERP, type of ant. & make						
other equipment chgs.						

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-27-56(Off.#163)

Call letters WINK-TV

Name of licensee PORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY

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-
BLCT-308 AH 320 ft. Lic. to cover CP(BPCT-875, as mod)	3-27-56	CH 11 198-204	V-11.7 kw A-5.89 kw	U	3-27-56 2-1-58
BRCT-163	1-30-58	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			2-1-58 2-1-61
BPCT-2643 AH: 320' CP to chg. ERP, type trans. and other minor equip. changes.	6-19-59	CH// 11 198-204	V-64.6kw A-35.5kw	U	8-19-59 2-19-60
WIRE TEMP PER. ENDING 2-19-60 ACCORD CP BPCT-2643 ADVISE WHEN OPER UNDER THIS AUTH BEGINS. Begin 1-9-60	1-9-60	PENDING FILING OF LIC APP.		AUTH GR OPER	
BLCT-1012 AH: 320' LICENSE to cover CP(BPCT-2643) which auth. chgs. in station.	8-9-60	CH #11 198-204	V-64.6 kw A-35.5 kw	U MSL:351'	8-9-60 2-1-61
BRCT-163	1-18-61	same	same	same	2-1-61
		RENEWAL OF LICENSE			2-1-64
BRCT-163	1-10-64	same	same	same	2-1-64
		RENEWAL OF LICENSE			2-1-67
BMLCT505 Mod. of Lic. to reduce Aural ERP	2-28-66	same	same A-12.9	same	2-28-66 2-1-67
BPCT-3691 CP to chg. ERP; trans loc. & type of trans.	5-24-66	Ch. 11	V-316 kw A-55 kw	U	7-24-66 1-24-67
BRCT-163 AH:320' MSL:351'	1-13-67	CH-11 198-204	V-64.6 kw A-12.9 kw	U	2-1-67 2-1-70
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
WIRE OPER. WINK-TV ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BPCT-3691 EXCEPT WITH MAIN STUDIO LOCATED AT 2824 PALM BEACH BLVD. FORT MYERS, FL.A ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY. STARTED 3-26-67	3-26-67	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR.			
WIRE WINK-TV AUX. TRANS. ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES.	4-5-67	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPER.			
BLCT-1680 AH: 320' MSL:351' AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA LICENSE to utilize formerly lic. Main Trans. as an Aux. Tran	6-5-67	CH.11 198-204	V-64.6 kw A- 12.9 kw	U	6-5-67 2-1-70

Form BC 126 # 3  
June 1954

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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed See Card # 1

Call letters WINK-TV

Station location

Name of licensee FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY

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-
BLCT-1675 AH: 960'	7-18-67 MSL: 1,025'	CH-11 198-204	V-316 kw A-55 kw	U	7-18-67 2-1-70
License to cover CP (BPCT-3691)					
BRCT-163	1-30-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			2-1-73
MAIN TRANSMITTER ANTENNA					
AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA					
BMLCT-713	8-24-71	ML chg.	Auxl ERP		2-1-73
AUX. TRANS. & ANT.					
BMLCT-729	2-9-72	Ch. 11	V. 316 kw	U	
AH: 960' MSL	1025'	198-204	A. 31.6 kw		2-1-73
ML (BLCT-1675) decrease aural ERP					
BPCT-4497	4-27-72	CP move	Aux. Trans.		10-27--73
AUX. TRANS.					
EBSA					
BTC-6992	5-15-72				
10-31-72		Vol. TC			
BRCT-163	1-31-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			2-1-76
MAIN TRANSMITTER ANTENNA					
AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA					
Wire oper. Aux.	5-23-73	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. trans. PTA accord. 73.629 & BPCT-4497.			
ON JUNE 26, 1973 BLCT-2216 WAS GRANTED FOR AUXILIARY TRANS.					
ON SAME DATE LICENSE FOR AUXILIARY ANTENNA WAS CANCELLED.					
BLCT-2216	6-26-73	Lic (BPCT-4497) for changes			2-1-76
AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER (L)					
BRCTV-239 (1)	4-18-75	Remote control authority MAIN TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA			
BRCTV-239 (1)	4-18-75	Remote control authority (Auxiliary Trans.)			
BRCT-163	6-16-76	Ch. 11	V. 316 kw	U	2-1-79
AH: 960' MSL:	1,025'	198-204	A. 31.6 kw		
Renewal of license MAIN TRANS. AND ANTENNA					
BRCT-163	6-16-76	Ch. 11	FOR EMER, TEST AND MAIN PURPOSES ONLY		
RENEWAL OF LICENSE		198-204	AUX. TRANS.		

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WINK-TV

Station location .....

Name of licensee FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
RCT-780929K	1-23-79	RENEWAL	OF LICENSE	(S)	2-1-82

FORM A-170

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call WINK-TV  
Letters XN.E.W.

Name FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY

(54 East First St., Fort Myers, Fla.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-875	3-6-52	Construction permit for new Commercial TV Broadcast Station.	See Card #2 for Action	
Rec'd & Filed	3-11-52	Frequency: Ch. #11, (198-204 Mcs.) ERP: Vis. 9.77 kw; Aur. 4.885 kw Hours of Operation: Unlimited S & T Location: 54 East First Street Fort Myers, Florida (Vis. & Aur. RCA, TT-2AH) Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty. <i>315.5'</i>		
AMENDED	6-2-52	(PURSUANT TO SIXTH REPORT AND ORDER 4-11-52)		
Recd.	6-4-52	FREQ: Channel #11, 198-204 mcs.		
Filed	6-4-52	ERP: Vis. 9.86 Kw. Aur. 4.93 Kw. Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: 54 East 1st St., Fort Myers, Florida T-L: Same as S-L (Vis. & Aur. RCA TT-2AH) (315.5') Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.		
Amended	6-9-52	Amended paragraph 1, page 1, to specify		
Recd. &	6-10-52	ERP as Vis. 9.86 kilowatts.		
Filed	6-10-52			

Russell P. May, Engr.

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call  
Letters ~~WJW~~ WJW-TVName JOHN MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY(54 East First St., Fort Myers, Fla.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EPCT-875 Amended Recd. & Filed 1-23-53	1-24-53	Amended to change officers	GRANTED: ERP:  Subj: No constr. be commenced until appropriate appli. (Form 301) to mod. ant. of Sta. WJW (AM), as proposed, is filed and granted.	3-11-53 Vis. 9.6 kw, Aur. 4.8 kw 320'
EMFOT-1401 Recd. & Filed	8-31-53 9-9-53	Mod. of construction permit (EPCT-875 which authorized a new commercial TV B/C station) to change ERP from Vis. 9.6 kw, Aur. 4.8 kw to Vis. 11.16 kw, Aur. 5.56 kw., make antenna and other equipment changes. <del>(MAY 1954)</del> (315.5) Withdrawn Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	9-25-53

Name FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
Fort Myers, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
MPCT-1774 Recd. Filed	1-19-54 1-21-54 1-21-54	Mod. of CP (MPCT-875, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-11-54 to 5-11-54. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	1-28-54
MPCT-2338 Recd & filed	7-21-54 7-22-54	Mod. of CP (MPCT-875, as mod. which authorized a new commercial TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 8-11-54 to 12-11-54 Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	8-3-54
BTC-1811 Recd. & Filed	9-1-54 9-7-54	Involuntary transfer of negative control of permittee corporation from Daniel Sherby to Clementine F. Sherby and Sylvester W. Fleasheim, Executors of the Estate of Daniel Sherby, Deceased. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	9-17-54

Name Fort Myers Broadcasting Company  
Fort Myers, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
NPOT-2778 Recd. & Filed Ext. No. 4	12-31-54 1-4-55	Mod. of CP (NPOT-875, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-11-55 to 5-11-55. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	1-26-55
BTC-1909 Recd. & Filed	2-10-55 2-15-55	<del>NPOT-2778</del> Acquisition of negative control of permittee corporation by Edward J. McBride (50%) and Arthur B. McBride, Jr. (50%) through the sale by Clementine F. Sherby and Sylvester W. Fleasheim, Executors of the estate of Daniel Sherby, deceased, of 50% of the outstanding stock of parent to the parent corporation.	GRANTED Eff;	3-16-55
NPOT-3091 Recd & filed	4-28-55 5-2-55	Mod. of CP (NPOT-875 as mod., which auth. a new comm. TV b/c sta) to chg ERP from Vis. 11.2 kw, Aur. 5.62 kw to Vis. 11.8 kw, Aur. 5.9 kw, change type of antenna and make other equipment changes. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	5-6-55

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FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WINK-TVName FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
Fort Myers, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-308 Recd. & Filed	4-14-55 5-9-55	License to cover CP (HPCT-875, as mod.) which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station. Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	3-27-56
BRCT-163 Recd. & filed	10-24-57 11-7-57	Renewal of license Filed by Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	1-30-58
HPCT-2643 Recd & filed	5-23-59 5-27-59	CP to change WEP from Vis. 11.7 kw, Aur. 5.89 kw to Vis. 65 kw, Aur. 35.50 kw, type of transmitters from RCA TT-2AH to RCA TT-11AH and make minor equipment changes Filed by Frederick H. Walton, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	6-19-59
BLCT-1012 R & F	2-8-60 2-9-60	License to cover CP (HPCT-2643) which auth. changes in existing station Filed by Frederick H. Walton, Jr. Atty	GRANTED	8-9-60
BRCT-163 Recd. & Filed	10-28-60 11-2-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Frederick H. Walton, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	1-18-61
BRCT-163 Recd. & Filed	10-18-63 10-31-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE F.H. Walton, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	1-10-64

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Form BC-121  
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call  
Letters WINK-TV

Name FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
CH. # 11  
FORT MYERS, FLORIDA Zip 33901

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3691 R & F	12-29-65 12-30-65	Construction Permit to change ERP from Vis-64.6 kw, Aur-35.5 kw TO <del>41.0-307-kw,</del> <sup>02</sup> <del>Aur-52.50-kw</del> ; change transmitter location from 54 East 1st Street, Fort Myers, Florida to State Route 31, 3.8 miles South of Tuckers Corner, Florida; change type of transmitter to RCA TT-35CH (LA); <del>change type of antenna to RCA TT-124H</del> ; increase antenna height above average terrain to <del>967-feet</del> ; and other changes in antenna system. F.H. Walton, Jr. Atty. (DEMPSEY & KOPLOVITZ) Russell P. May, Engr.	GRANTED	5-26-66
AMENDED SEE CARD #7				
BMCT-505 R & F	2-4-66 2-7-66	Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP from 35.5 kw to 13.02 kw Dempsey & Koplovitz, Atty.	GRANTED	2-28-66



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Aug. 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WINK-TVName FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
CH. 11 FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3691 AMENDED Recd. & Filed	(CONT'D) 3-14-66 3-14-66	AMENDED to change ERP to Vis. 316.00 kw, Aur. 60.30 kw; change type of antenna to RCA TW-12A11; make changes in antenna structure; decrease antenna height above average terrain to 956.2 feet. (financial data)	GRANTED	5-24-66
BRCT-163 R & F	9-30-66 11-1-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Frederick H. Walton, Jr. Atty. (DEMPSEY & KOPLOVITZ)	GRANTED	1-13-67
BPCT-6472 R & F	1-20-67 1-23-67	Modification of CP (BPCT-3691, which auth. changes in an existing station) to extend completion date from 1-24-67 to 4-30-67. Dempsey and Koplovitz, Atty. (Frederick H. Walton, Jr.)	DISMISSED AS MOOT	5-24-67

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM-TV

Call  
Letters WINK-TVName FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
CH. 11 FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1675 R & F	3-15-67 3-17-67	License to cover CP (BPCT-3691) which authorized changes in an existing station and specify Studio Location as 2824 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers, Florida. Dempsey & Koplovitz (Fred Walton, Jr.) Atty.	GRANTED	7-18-67
BLCT-1680 R & F AUXILIARY TRANSMITTER and Ant.	3-29-67 3-31-67	License to utilize formerly licensed Main transmitter (RCA TT-11AH) as an Auxiliary transmitter at 2824 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers, Florida; (same site as 54 East 1st St., Fort Myers, Florida). F.H. Walton, Jr. Atty. (Dempsey & Koplovitz).	GRANTED	6-5-67
BRCT-163 R & F \$180 #552539 P.N. Recd. MAIN TRANS. & AUX. TRANS. & PRESS Engr. data filled	10-17-69 10-29-69 " " NOV 13 1969 6-30-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Frederick H. Walton, Jr. Atty. (Dempsey & Koplovitz) AMENDED 12-29-69 other business interests.	GRANTED	1-30-70

Form BC-121 **CARD#9**  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WINK-TVName **FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY**CH-11 **FORT MYERS, FLORIDA**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLCT-713 R & F #669329 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	3-3-71 3-5-71 3-5-71  MAR 17 1971	ML to reduce Aur. ERP to 6.5kw. (Auxiliary Trans. & Ant.) Atty.: FH Walton, Jr. (Dempsey and Koplovitz)	GRANTED	8-24-71
BMLCT-729 R & F #030286 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	12-17-71 1-6-72 1-6-72  JAN 18 1972	ML to decr. Aur. ERP to 31.6kw. Atty.: Walton	GRANTED	2-9-72
BFCT-4497 R & F #041537 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS: AUXILIARY TRANS.	2-10-72 2-14-72 2-14-72  FEB 24 1972	CP to move presently licensed Auxiliary trans. (RCA TT-11AE) to Main Trans. & Ant. location. Atty.: Frederick H. Walton, Jr. (Dempsey and Koplovitz)	GRANTED	4-27-72 <i>See when licensed correct ant.</i>



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September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WINK-TVName FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
FORT MYERS, FL. CH. 11

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-2216 R & F PRESS: #162704 \$50	3-7-73 3-14-73 MAY 13 1973	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4497) for changes. Dempsey & Koplovitz (F.H. Walton, Jr.) Atty. AUX. TRANS.	GRANTED	6-26-73
BTC-7170 P&F 18542 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS: Form 316	5-21-73 5-23-73 5-23-73 JUN 12 1973	Voluntary relinquishment of negative control of lic. corp. by each Arthur B. McBride, Jr. and Edward J. McBride thru issuance of stock by the lic. corp. to Barbara Herd, Frank C. Nodine, J. Richard Landefeld and James Jenkins. (\$2.47 each) Atty: Frederick H. Walton, Jr. (Dempsey & Koplovitz)		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters WINK-TV

Name FORT MYERS BROADCASTING COMPANY  
CH-11 Fort Myers, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCTV- 239 R & F #394771 \$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	2-20-75 2-21-75 2-21-75	Request authority to operate transmitter by remote control from 2824 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida. Atty: Frederick H. Walton, Jr. (Dempsey & Koplovitz)	GRANTED	4-18-75
BRCT-163 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	9-27-75 10-6-75 10-6-75 28 OCT 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.)(AUX. TRANS.) Annual Report Filed Atty: Frederick H. Walton, Jr. (Dempsey and Koplovitz) AMENDMENT 5-17-76 equal employment	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION (See other side)	6-16-76
BRCT-780929 PRESS	OCT 16 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Trans.)  Contours filed 11-25-75.	GRANTED	1-23-79

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

TRANS.  
CODE  
500

DATE  
8/10/16

AMT.  
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#18542

INITIALS  
JW

JSA 5/22/80 215.00

PETITION TO DENY RENEWAL OF LICENSE filed 1-2-76 by George Carr on behalf of Mary Baldauf.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 2-9-76 by Frederick H. Walton, Jr., on behalf of WINK-TV.

AFFIDAVITS filed 2-12-76 by Frederick Walton on behalf of WINK-TV to be associated with  
Opposition of 2-9-76.

RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 3-8-76 by George Carr on behalf of Mary Baldauf.

MOTION TO STRIKE NEW MATTER filed 3-22-76 by Frederick H. Walton, Jr. on behalf of WINK-TV.

LIMITED REPLY TO RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION TO INFORMAL DECISION filed 3-22-76 by Frederick H.  
Walton, Jr. on behalf of WINK-TV.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER Adopted 6-16-76, Released 6-30-76 FCC 76-567 40937: Accordingly,  
IT IS ORDERED, That the Motion to Strike, filed by Fort Myers Broadcasting Company IS  
DISMISSED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the petition to deny filed by Mary Baldauf against  
Station WINK-TV IS DISMISSED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the informal objection filed by Mary  
Baldauf IS DENIED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the informal objection filed by the Florida  
State Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People against Stations  
WINK, WINK-FM, and WINK-TV IS DENIED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the above-captioned applica-  
tions for renewal of licenses filed by Fort Myers Broadcasting Company, for Stations WINK,  
WINK-FM, and WINK-TV ARE HEREBY GRANTED for the remainder of the license term for Florida  
stations, i.e. February 1, 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

