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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-25-71 (Off. #733)

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Statios locatios KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE STATION ID: Kingsport-Johnson City-Bristol,

Tennessee (ltr. 6-6-69)

Name of Ileansee HOLSTON VALLEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location APPROXIMATELY 25 HILES ESE OF KINGSPORT, ON HOLSTON HOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE

222 Commerce St., Kingsport, Tennessee (BLCT-1933 8-25-71)
Main studio location 223 COMMERCE STREET, KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE

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Hame HOLSTON VALLEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

CH.19 c/o William M. Boyd. Pres., 450 Neclellan Bldg., 721 Broad St., Chattenooga, Tenn. 37402

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Date
BPCT-3760 Recd. &Filed	3-28-66	Construction Permit for a new Commercial TV Broadcast Station; CH. 19, 500-506 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 193 key dar. 48,6 ke Hours of Operation: Unlimited T-L: Bays Knob SW of Kingsport, Tennessee S-L: 223 Commerce St., Kingsport, Tennessee (RCA TTU-10A) AH: 1351 feet STATION LOCATION: KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE Welch & Morgan, Atty. Louis A. King, Engr., 801 English St., Bristol, Tennessee	DEC 8 1968  pursuant to Order released 12 -9-66 in Docket 16768
AMENDED R & F AMENDED R & F	4-26-66 4-29-66 6-17-66 6-21-66	AMENDED to change ERP to Vis.126kw, Aur.31.7kw make change in antenna structure and change antenna height above average terrain to 1309 feet	

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222 Commarce StreetEingsport, Tennessee 37662
245-6161 area code 615

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	File No. BMFCT-6582 R & F	Dated 7.5.67	Application for  Medification of CP(BPCT-3760, which auth, a new station) to extend completion date to—	Nature GRANTED	2-7-68	
STATE	JUL 25 196 BMFCT-6583 R & F	6_29_67	new station) to make tue following changes: ERP to Vis. 443 kw (Hers), Aur. 88.6 kw(Hers);		2-7-68	
			trans. loc. to Holston Mountain, Cherokee National Forest, Tenn.; type trans. RGA TTU- 30A; type antenna RCA TFU-30JDA; antenna structure; antenna system; and increase antenna height above average terrain to 2410 fast.			
	AMENDED R & F	11-24-67 12-5-67	AMENDED to move transmitter site approximately one mile SW of location initially specified; make changes in the antenna structure and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 2340 feet.			
			F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMFCT-6583 ANENDED R & F	Cont'd 1-6-68 1-10-68	AMENDED to make changes in the antenna atructure and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 2320 feet.	GRANTED	2-7-68
PCT-6901 FPRESS SEP 16	9-5-68 9-6-68	MP (BPCT-3760, as mod) to extend completion date to 6910-69. Walter H. Sweeney, Atty. (Welch & Morgan)	\$30.#656 GRANTED	92 9-6-68
Ltr.	3-19-69 MAR 2 7 1969	Req. Waiver of Sect. 73.652(a) to identify	GRANTED	6-6-69
BMPCT-6901 Co	nted	Amended 4-11-69 to update information in BMPCT-6901	GRANTED	6-9-69

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CH-19 KIT SPORT, TENNESSEE

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	File No.	Dated	Application for .	Natur	Date	
	BTC-6100 R & F #554651 \$30 PRESS: PN REC'D:	11-4-69	Involuntary acquisition of positive control of Home News Publishing Company (97% Stock-holder of permittee corporation) by Hugh N. Boyd, Individually and as Co-Executor of the Estates of Ruth O'Day Ridder and Kathleen		12-16-69	
			Boyd Martin thru transfer of stock from Ruth O'Day Ridder to Hugh N. Boyd and William M. Boyd, Co-Executors, and from Kathleen Boyd Martin to Hugh N. Boyd and Edward B. Martin, Jr., Co-Executors.  Atty.: A. Robert Cherin (Welch & Morgan)			
1	BLCT-1933	11-10-69	LICENSE (BPCT-3760, as mod.) new station.	GRANTED	8-25-71	
	REF	11-13-69	A.Robert Cherin, Atty. (Welch & Morgan)			
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Ch. 19, Kingsport, Tennessee

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	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
	BRCTV-89	4-26-72	Req. for authority to operate remote control from 222 Commerce St., Kingsport, Tennessee	GRANTED	8-30-72
	Rec. & filed	43-72 MAY 8 1972	Trom 222 commerce St., kingsport, remission		
	BRCT-733	4-30-73 5-3-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Welch & Morgan Atty: W.V. Morgan	GRANTED '	7-31-73
	PN recd.	5-3-73	Amended 5-14-73 re other business interests & community needs data		
	V	8 1 1973			
	BIC-7456 R & F	5-29-74 6-17-74	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of Home News Publishing Company (97% Stockholder		
4	#316512 \$250 AC: 051		of licensee corporation) by Hugh N. Boyd thru redemption of the stock of the Ridder and		
	PRESS:	UL 1 1974	Martin Estates.		
	(Form 316)		Atty.: Norman P. Leventhal (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)		
1	0		P.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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CH 19 Kingsport, Tennessee

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RG-7719 R& F PRESS: #401175 AC 051 (Form 31		Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of Home News Publishing Company (97% stocks of Lic. corp.) by Hugh N. Boyd, thru transfistock to William M. Boyd, Individually and Guardian to 3 minor children.  ATTY: McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner (N.P. Let	older er of		
BRCT-733 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	3-26-76 3-29-76 3-29-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Annual Reports Filed  Mo Contours filed 4-19-76.  Atty: John B. Jacob (Cordon & Jacob)	GRANTED	7-14-76	
PRESS PRESS	The second secon	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: JOHN B. JACOB (CORDON & JACOB)	GRANTED	7-18-79	

LETTER 10-27-80 by George E. DeVault, Cr., for Holston Valley Broadcasting Corp., amending the affiliation agreement between Holston & WKPT-TV, re financial. (dated 10-30-78)

#### **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.

