

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD ceased operation 2-5-70

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Call letters WS S-TV Date first licensed 4-6-72 (Off. #752) OAK TELEVISION OF FORT LAUDERDALE, INC. (AL2-29-80; Eff: 4/22/80

Station location FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORD

X C B TV CORP. (ML 8-14-77)

X JOHNS-KOENIG ASSOCIATES, INC. (AL 7-14-76; Eff: 10-31-75 EFF: 11-3-75)

XCHANNEL 51, INC., DEBTOR IN POSSESSION (BALCT-574 gr. 10-31-75 EFF: 11-3-75)

ACHANNEL 51, INC. (BAPCT-486 1-12-72 EFF: 1-12-72)

X GOLD COAST TELECASTING CO., INC. (BMPCT-6942 11-21-68)

SE CORNER OF SOUTH 33rd AVENUE AND PEMBROKE ROAD, PEMBROKE PARK, FLORIDA (BMPCT-6381 3-20-6 Transmitter location 305 SOUTH ANDREWS STREET, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

2090 SW 30th Avenue, Hallendale, Florida(RC, 3-9-78) x 3130 S.W. 19th St., Pembroke Park, Fla. (ML 3-10-76) 1605 East Sheridan St. Dania Florida (BPCT-4459 1-12872) T-5604-EPCT-6913 gr. 9-30-68)

SE CORNER OF SOUTH 33rd avenue and PEMBROKE ROAD, PEMBROKE PARK, FLORIDA (BMPCT-6381 3-29-67)
Main studio location 305 SOUTH ANDREWS STREET, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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#### BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

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Station location Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

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Transmitter location .....

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#### BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD CARD NO. 3

SEE CARD NO. 1

Transmitter Location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

Form BC-126 December 1978

#### Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
		CH-51-692-698MHZ	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T
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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters

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BROWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

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1	BPCT-3497:: I	ORT LAUDERD	LE, FLORIDA	Action
	File No.	Dated	Application for Edu	Date Date
	ENGR. DATA	7-15-65	ENGINEERING DATA submitted pursuant to Fourth	
	Dated	7-21-65	Report and Order, Docket No.14229, on 6-4-65	GRANIEU
	Received	7-27-65	EFFECTIVE 7-15-65(Revised Table of Assignments	
			for modified instrument of authorization to	AUG 3 0 1965
			specify CH#51, 692-698mcs. instead of CH#39,	
			620-626mcs: with ERP Vis. 267(Horz), Aur. 53.4kw (Horz); and antenna height above average	
			terrain 140 feet.	
			Welch & Morgan-atty	
			Jules Cohen-engr.	4
	HMPCT-6231	1-3-66	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3497 as mod. by Docket #	INTED 5-18-66
	Rec. & FILED	1=6-66	14229, which authorized a new station) to	7-10-00
			extend completion date from 4-30-66 TO	
			Welch & Morgan-atty	
			F.C.S WARRENT B. C.	

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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW WSHS-TV

Name BROWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.						
c/o Lucil	e Frostman,	Vice President, Suite 419, 2801 East Oakland Park Blydg, Fort				
File No.	Dated	Application for Mature Date				
BPCT-3497 Rec.& filed	1-20-65 1-22-65	Construction permit for a new Commercial TV GRANTED  Broadcast station:  Ch. 39, 620-626 Nes  ERP: Vis. 270 Kw., Aur. 73.2 km  T-L: 305 S. Andrews St., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla DONDITIONAL BASIS: CP to S-L: Same as above UNLINITED HOURS be Modified for CHESI: **  (Vis. & Aural - RCA, TTU-12A) AH: 140 ft. Permittee advise if accept-  STATION LOCATION: FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA able by 7-15-65 AND Submit Atty: Welch & Morgan  ENG. DATA by 7-15-65 for Engri. Julea Coben & Associates Modified authorization  Order, Docket 14229:EFF:7-15-65				
		CP ISSUED WITH ENCR. BATA GRANTED 8-30-55 See card #2				

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name BROWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date		
BEFCT-6376 R&F	10-11-66 10-13-66	Med. of CP(BPCT-3497, as med. by Docket # 14229, which suth. a new station) to extend completion date from 11-18-66 to 5-18-67.	GRANTED	3-20-67 th BMPCT-6381		
BMPCT-638 R & F	10-8-66	ERP: Vis. 697 KW (HORZ); Aur. 139 kw (HORZ); Transmitter and Studio Location to SE Corner of South 33rd Ave.& Pembroke Road, Pembroke	Control of the Contro	3-20-67 h BMPCT-6376		
		Park, Florida; type of transmitter to RCA TTU-30A; type of antenna to RCA TFU-30JA; changes in the antenna structure, and increase antenna height above average terrain to 520' REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.613 OF RULES. Welch & Morgan, Atty Jules Cohen & Associates Engr. Mod. of CP (BPCT-3497, as mod., which auth. a GR				
EMPCT-6604			UNIED 9-	30-68		
R & FAUL 2	8-37-67	new station) to extend completion date from 1s 9-20-67 to 3-20-68. Helch & Horgan, Atty.	sued with B	MPCT-6913		

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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GOLD COAST TELECASTING CO., INC. (11-21-68)

Ramo W. BROMARD BROADGASTING COMPANY, INC.

CH-51 Fort Louderdele, Floride						
File No.	Dated	Application for	Hature	Date		
BMPCT-6604	Cont'd	AMENDED 6-5-68 to update information contained in BMPCT-6604.  AMENDED 7-30-68 to update information contained in BMPCT-6604.	GRA	NTED 9-30-68		
BMPCT-6913 R & F PRESS SEP 25	1n support 9-16-68 9-18-68	of Remote Control.  f waiver // / Engr. Data re remote MP (BPCT-3497, as mod.) to change Studio Location to 2151 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.  Vincent B. Welch, Atty. (Welch & Morgan) MP (BPCT-3497, as mod.) to change name to	GRANTED 9-			
BECT-6942 R & F 3471496 \$30. PRESS	11-8-68 11-12-68 11-12-68	MP (BPCT-3497,as mod.) to change name to GOLD COAST TELECASTING CO., INC. A.Robert Cherin, Atty. (Welch & Horgan)	GRANTED 11	1-21-68		
BLCT-1853 R & F \$30.4476196 PRESS	12-2-68 12-4-68	LICENSE (BPCT-3497, as mod.) for a new station. A.Robert Cherin, Atty. (Welch & Morgan) Amended 12-9-68 re engr(substitute photograph	Issued with E			

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters .....

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CHANNEL 51, INC.

GOLD-COAST-TELECASTING-CO., ING. -

TORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BAFCT-486 R & F #013924 \$1000 AC: 051 FRESS: PN RECID: GRANT FEE: GRANT FEE:	JUL 8 1971 7-19-71 \$9472.30	Amended 7-22-71 to submit certified copy of By-Laws. SEE OTHER SIDE FOR AMENDMENTS		1-12-72 1-12-72 TION ON BACK
rans.	AUG 2 5 1971	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 357.2kw(H)RMS, Aur. 71.45kw(H)RMS; chg. TL (same site desc.) (25-59-37-80-10-29); make chgs. in ant. structure; and HAAT 1016 ft. Atty. Christensen (Welch & Morgan) Amended 10-1571 to correct coordinates to 25 58 34 N. 80 10 27 W.	GRANTED	1-12-72

PETITION FOR WAIVER OF SEC. 1.597(a) OF RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION. £11ed 8-19-7
AMENDED 9-17-71 to submit Affidavit of Paris Singer.

Amended 10-18-71 to submit ltrs. in support of application.

Amended 10-19-71 re financial data.

Amended 11-17-71 to update infor. re assignee.

Amended 11-22-71 to submit agreement between Ch. 51, Inc. and Recreation Corp. of American

and programming and to submit logs.

Amended 12-7-71 re financial & legal.

Amended 12-13-71 to submit Voting Trust Agreement of John A. Kemper, Jr., Anne H. Kemper & other legal data.

BAPCT-486
CONDITION: That neither John A. Kemper, Jr. nor Ann H. Kemper will nold any comprate office, directorship or any other position of management or responsibility in Channel 51, Inc. or Recreation Corporation of America, Inc. - condition accepted by letter dated 1-17-72

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W K

CHANNEL 51, INC. Name

Ch. 51 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida							
	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Nature	Date		
2 9 4	BRCTV-48 ec. & filed 50 047912 C: 069 RESS	3-3-72 3-6-72 3-6-72 MAR 1 6 1972	Request authority to operate remote control from 605 East Sheridan St., Dania, Florida Everett D. Johnston, Atty.	Per Sect. of the Ru	7.568(b)		
	BLCT_2147 R & F #049625 \$50 IC: 069 PPESS:		Lic. to cover (BPCT-4459) for chgs. Atty.: Everett D. Johnston	GRANTED	4-6-72		
	BRCT-752 R & F PN REC PRESS PN REC	10-31-72 11-3-72 11-3-72 1EC 15 1972 12-26-72	Everett D. Johnston AMENDED 1-9-73 re equal employment	GRANTED	1-31-73		
			F.C.C. WASHINGTON, D.C.				

### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name CH-51 FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BRCTV-142 R & F #158190 \$50 AC-069 PRESS:	2-22-73 3-1-73 3-1-73	Request authority to prerate trans. by remote control from 605 Sheridan Street, Dania, Flor Atty: Everett D. Johnston	GRANTED 1da	The contract of the last of th
the corpora	from Everet	D. Johnston on behalf of Channel 51, Inc. givening Channel 51, Inc. has gone into banksuptcy a Stewart 2-13-75.	ing notif	ication that an application
Hrc-7726 R & F #405618 \$5 AC 051 Form 316 PRESS:	3-12-75 3-24-75 D.		GRANTED 4	
		F.C.C WARRENTON, D. C.		

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WKID

CHANNEL 51, INC., DEBTOR IN POSSESSIO Name CH-51 Fort Lauderdale, Florida Action Nature Date -Application for Dated File No. RENEWAL OF LICENSE 9-15-75 GRANTED <del>-</del> 7-12-76 BRCT-752 Atty: Everett D. Johnson 10-1-75 R & F mend. 10-30-75 re public notices & other bus. int. 10-1-75 PN Rec'd: 3 0 OCT 1975 111-7-75 DEC 1975 PRESS: AMENDED to change name to Channel 51, Inc., AMENDMENT PERSOL Debtor in Possession. Involuntary assignment of license to Channel 10-10-75 BALCT-574 GRANTED 710-31-75 51, Inc., Debtor in Possession. 10-15-75 EFF: 11-3-75 - Pushing 10-28-75 Filed Form 316 #490835 \$100. AC 048 10-28-75 PRESS: 3 0 OCT 1975

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADGASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters

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JOHNS-KUENIG ASSOCIATES, INC. I CHANNEL 51, INC., DEBTOR IN POSSESSION

CH-51 Fort Lauderdale, Florida

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BRCT-752	eont.	Amended 11-7-75 re name change. Amended 1-28-76 re Annual Report.		
HILCT-801 R & F #493425 \$10 AC: 001 PRESS: BAICT-588 R & F #552907 \$2 AC: 047 PRESS: PN REC:	11-3-75 0 11-3-75 0 11-3-75 2 3-26-76 4-5-76 4-5-76 4-22-76	Amended 4-16-76 re programming.	to be is	; not issued; med with Renewal
GRANT FEE AC: 048 F (Form 3		Amended 4-27-76 re legal or additional info.		

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters

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C B TV CORP.

IJOHNS- KOENIG ASSOCIATES, INC.

Ch-51 F0	RT LAUDERDA	LE, FLORIDA	I Ans	ion
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMLCT- 830 R&F PRESS	6 77 6- 21- 77 JUL 1 1977	Mod. of Lic. to chg. name to C B TV Corp.  Atty.: Booth & Freret	GRANTED	8-14-77
R & F	8-3-77 8-15-77 SEP 2 6 1977	Mod. of Lic. to chg. SL to 2090 SW 30th Avenue Hallendale, Florida.  Atty.: Everett D. Johnston (Booth & Freret)	Gr.	1-31-78 sued - see 370)
BRCTV-370 R & F PRESS:		Request authority to operate trans. by remote control from new proposed SL, 2090 SW 30th Avenue, Hallendale, Florida.  Atty.: Everett D. Johnston (Bouth & Freret) Amended 1-27-78 re additional information Amended 1-27-78 re engr. & additional information	GRANTED	3-9-78

COMMERCIAL TV

CARD#11
Form BC-121
May 1976

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKII

CH-51 C B TV CORP.

CH-51 FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
R & F	1-25-78	Request authority to install Subscription Television equipment.	GRANTEL	3-21-79
 PRESS: PN REC'D:	FR 2 0 1978	Atty.: Robert V. Cahill (Glaser, Fletcher, & Johnson)		
BRCT-781002K PN RECD PRESS	010-2-78 OCT 16 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	5-25-79
BLSTV-80080		License to cover STV(BSTV-42) to install Subscription Television equipment.	P	
		CHRISTOPHER C. SMALLWOOD, ATTY.		
		F.C.C WARHINSTON, D. C.		

Ltr. 3-23-77 fr in Jeroid Jacobs to GB TV Corp: This is to advise you that the Commission has this day granted your application (BSTV-42) for authority to conduct subscription television operations on Station WKID-TV, Channel 51, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Since WKID-TV is the only station licensed to Fort Lauderdale, this authority is conditioned upon your broadcasting some local programming during prime time. Fourth Report and Order, Docket 11249, 15 FCC 24 466, 522 (1968).

Your application proposes the use of Oak Industries' STV System Model 1. The most recent modification of this system was approved by Commission letter on August 29, 1977. The date on which completion of construction is required is eighteen months from the date of this

letter.
This letter will serve as your authorization.

# APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W K I D

OAK TELEVISION OF FORT LAUDERDALE, INC.

Name: HOB TV. CORP.

CH-51

Station Location: FORT LAUDERDALE, FL

File No. Date		Description	Action and Date	
BPCT-790606KH R & F PRESS:	5-31-79 6-6-79 9-24-79	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 2138kW(M) 1380.4kW(H), Aur. 271kW(H); and chg. type trans. to RCA TTU-55C.	GRANTED 10-30-7	
BALCT-791102KE RAF PN REC'D (FORM-314) PRESS '79	11-2-79	Atty.: Everett D. Johnston (Booth & Freret)  Voluntary assignment of license mf corporation to Oak Televiseen of Fort Lauderdale, Inc.  Assignor: Everett D. Johnston, Atty.  (Booth & Freret)  Assignee: Chrestopher C. Smallwood, Atty.	ETT: 4/22/80	
autho	local progr	(Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)  Is the only station licensed to Fort Lauderdale, ditioned upon Oak Television of Fort Lauderdale, summing during prime time, pursuant to the Fourth 7, 15 FCC 2d 466, 522 (1968).	Florada, this Inc. broadcasting	

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# COMMERCIAL TELEVISION APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W K I D

Name: OAK TELEVISION OF FORT LAUDERDALE, INC.

CH-51

Station Location: FORT LAUDERDALE, FL

MICT-800407KF  R & F  Mod. of Lic. to chg. SL to 4035 North 29th Avenue, Hollywood, FL.  Atty.: Christopher C. Smallwood (Dow, Lohnes  & Albertagn)  Lic. to cover (EPCT-790606KH) for chgs. in ERF and type trans.  Atty.: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	File No. Date		Description	Action and Date	
BIGT-791214EF 12-13-79 Lic. to cover (BPCT-790606EE) for chgs. in ERF 12-14-79 and type trans.		4-2-80	Mod. of Lic. to chg. SL to 4035 North 29th Avenue, Hollywood, FL.	Granted	5-15-80
R&F 12-14-79 and type trans.			Atty.: Christopher C. Smallwood (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)		
Atty.: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)					
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#### **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.

