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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORDCR. 7-24-62
Date first licensed OFF. NO. 512

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WLKY-TV (8-18-64)

Call letters XW L K Y

Station location LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

COMBINED COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY, INC. (AL 8-9-73; Eff: 9-24-73)

WLKY-TV, INC. (12-31-68 EFF: 12-31-68)

Name of licensee X KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED

Bald Knob, near New Albany, Ind. (CP 1-25-65)

Transmitter location 3947 Park Drive, Shively, Kentucky

*1918 MELLWOOD AVENUE, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY (EFF: 10-1-67) Lt. 7-28-67 Fr. Martin J. Ganes, Atty.

Main studio location X 3947 Park Drive, Shively, Kentucky

*Began operation from new studios on 10-21-67 Lt. dated 10-23-67 from mgr.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPCT-2652 AH: 230'	10-20-60	CH #51 692-698	V-245 kw A-126 kw	U MSL:786ft	12-20-60 6-20-61
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT for a new Comm. TV B/C Station. REPORT & ORDER adopted 6-21-61 DOCKET #14050 EFF: 8-7-61 OUTSTANDING AUTH. HELD BY WLKY MODIFIED TO SPECIFY OPERATION IN LOUISVILLE, KY. ON CHANNEL #32 INSTEAD OF CH. 51 SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS: ADVISE if accepts & file neces. Data by July 21, 1961 for modified auth.					
DOCKET #14050 EFF: 8-7-61 / 8-28-61 AH: 230 feet MSL: 786 feet MODIFIED AUTH. CP Pursuant to REPORT & ORDER in DOC. 14050 WIRE 9-13-61 RE LIC. BLCT-1140 AUTH. GR. OPER. WLKY-TV ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. EC. 3.629 & CP BPCT-2652 AND DOCKET NO. 14050. ADVISE COMMENCEMENT.		CH #32 578-584	V-234 kw A-120 kw	U	8-7-61- 4-7-62
BLCT-1140 AH: 230'	7-24-62	Ch. 32 578-584	V: 234 kw A: 120 kw	U MSL: 786ft	7-24-62 8-1-64
License to cover CP (BPCT-2652, as mod. in Docket 14050)					
BRCT-512 AH: 230'	7-23-64	CH 32 578-584	V-234 kw A-120kw	U MSL: 786ft	8-1-64 8-1-67
BPCT-3427 AH: 1260'	1-25-65	CH. #32 578-584	V-275kw A-74.1kw	U	3-25-65 9-25-65
CP to chg ERP; chg trans. location; chg type of trans.; chg type of ant; chg ant. sys & ant. height above ave. ter- rain.					
WIRE REURTEL 18. PENDING FILING LICENSE APPL., AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WLKY-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 11-19-65 ACCORD. BMPCT-6146. ADVISE WHEN OPER. COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTH. OPER. BEGAN 10-20-65.					
BPCT-6146	9-16-65	same	same	same	3-25-65
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3427) to extend completion date 3-16-66					
WIRE	11-16-65	RELETATY 16.	PENDING FILING LICENSE	APPL., EXT. AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WLKY-TV TEMP. PERIOD END 12-19-65 ACCORD. BMPCT-6146.	
WIRE	12-8-65	RE TENDERED LICENSE APPL., AUTH. GRANT.	OPER. WLKY-TV ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BPCT-3427, EXCEPT WITH AURAL ERP TO CONFORM WITH RULE 73.682(a)(15).		

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 7-24-62 (Official No 512)Call letters WLKY-TV

Station location _____

Name of licensee KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATEDTransmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BLCT-1528	10-14-66	Ch. 32	V-275 A-55	U	10-14-66 8-1-67
AH 1260 MSL 1949' Lic. to cover CP (BPCT-3427)					
BRCT-512	7-18-67	Same	Same	Same	8-1-67 8-1-70
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPCT-4014	9-11-67	CH-32	V-275 kw	U	11-11-67 5-11-68 ✓
AH:1260' MSL:1949' 578-584 A-55 kw CP to install alter. exciter unit to oper. with auth. trans. MAIN TRANS.(WITH ALTERNATE EXCITERS) AND MAIN ANTENNA.					
BTC-5461	12-13-67	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation to Sonderling Broadcasting Corp.			
EFF 1-16-68					
BMPCT-6817	5-21-68	MP (BPCT-4014)	EXT. TIME (1)		11-21-68
BMPCT-6949	12-6-68	MP (BPCT-4014, as mod)	EXT. TIME (26-6-69)		
BAPLCT-97	12-31-68	VOL A/U			
WIRE	3-18-69	RE TEND. LICENSE APPL. AUTH. GR. OPER. PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES & CP			
BMPCT-6949	4-8-69	AUTH. GR. TO OPER. ON REMOTE CONTROL			
BTC-5950	5-23-69	VOL T/C			
BLCT-1873	6-26-70	LIC.(BPCT-4014)	for chgs.		8-1-70
BRCT-512	7-30-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (\$)			8-1-70 8-1-73
ESBA	5-15-72				
BPCT-4513	6-15-72	Ch-32	V-288kw	Unl.	8-15-72 12-15-73
AH:1260' MSL:1949' 578-584 A-57.5kw CP to chg. ERP.					
WIRE	7-7-72	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. MAIN TRANS. AND ANT. ON PTA ACCORD CP BPCT-4513			
BLCT-2158	7-25-72	Lic. (BPCT-4513) chg.			8-1-73
MAIN TRANS. (WITH ALTERNATE EXCITERS) AND MAIN ANT.					
BRCTV-58	8-8-72	OPERATE REMOTE CONTROL			
BTC-7008	4-4-73	Vol. TC			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location Louisville, Kentucky

Name of licensee COMBINED COMMUNICATIONS OF KENTUCKY, INC.

Transmitter location Bald Knob, near New Albany, Ind.

Main studio location see card #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRCT-512	7-31-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-76
BALCT-524	8-9-73	Vol. A/I			
BALCT-524	8-9-73	Superseded to correct Assignee.			
BPCT-4811	2-18-75	Ch. 32	V. 1290 kW	U	4-18-75
AH: 1260' MSL: 1949'		578-584	A. 257 kW		8-18-76
CP to chg ERP & Trans. MAIN TRANS (WITH ALT EXCITERS) & MAIN ANT.					
WIRE	7-28-75	Pend. compl. construction and fil. lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper WLKY-TV temp. per. end. 9-23-75, accord. BPCT-4811.			
WIRE	8-26-75	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper WLKY-TV main trans. and ant. on program test accord. Sect. 73.629 rules and CP BPCT-4811.			
BLCT-2435	11-6-75	Ch. 32	V. 1290 kW	U	8-1-76
AH: 1260' MSL: 1949'		578-584	A. 257 kW		
Lic(BPCT-4811) for chgs.					
BRCT-512	7-14-76	Renewal of license (S)			8-1-79
BMLCT- AURAL ERP.	10-30-79	MOD. OF LICENSE TO DECR. 578-584V-1290KW Unl			8-1-82
AH: 1260' MSL: 1949'		Ch-32	A- 129KW		
BTC-780912KJ	6-7-79	Vol. TC			
BRCT-790402LH	7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LIC. (S)			8-1-82

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Letters ~~NEW~~ W L K YName **KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED**

(P.O. 320 South 5th Street, Louisville, Kentucky)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
NPOT-2652	6-26-59	OP for a new Comm TV B/C station	GRANTED	10-20-60
Recd & filed	6-26-59	Freq: Ch #51, 692-698 Mcs.	ORDER IN DOCKET 13319	
		ERP: --- Vis. 7.57 hr, Aur. 4.00 hr	Granted Waiver 3.613(a)	
		Hours of operation: Unlimited	of Rules.	
		Station location: Louisville, Ky.		
		S-L: 908 East River Road, Louisville, Ky.		
		T-L: 908 East River Road, Louisville, Ky.		
		(Vis & Aur. 201 TRS-13) (251.2)		
		Request for waiver of Sec. 3.685(a) of		
		Commission's Rules.		
		Filed by Harold E. Mott, Atty.		
		John H. Mullaney, Engr.		
Amended	8-25-59	Amended to furnish by laws, financial and		
R & F	9-2-59	engineering data		
Amended	2-12-60	Amended to furnish additional financial data		
Recd	2-16-60			
Filed	2-29-60			

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Name KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION INCORPORATED
(P.O. 320 South 5th Street, Louisville, Kentucky)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
Amended BPCT-2652 Recd Filed Cont'd from card #1	8-26-60 8-30-60 9-2-60	Amended to change ERP to Vis 251.2 kw, Aur. 126 kw, S-L: to 3947 Park Drive, Shively, Ky. T-L: to 3947 Park Drive, Shively, Ky. Transmitters to GE-TT-25A, Antenna to RCA TPU-27DH, make changes in equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 232'. Change in stockholders and stock and request for waiver of Sec. 3.613 of the Commission's Rules.	GRANTED ORDER IN	10-20-60 DOCKET 13319
BMPC-T-5610 Recd.&Filed	5-9-61 5-19-61	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2652, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 6-20-61 to 12-20-61 E. Tillman Stirling, Atty. (Welch, Mett & Morgan)	DISMISSES as unnecessary	8-29-61

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Call WLKY-TV (8-18-64)
Letters WLKYName KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED
Louisville, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
301 & Engr. Data: (3)	7-19-61	Response submitted pursuant to Report and Order adopted 6-21-61 in Docket #14050 EFFECTIVE 8-7-61; for Modified Authorization of WLKY to specify operation on channel 32 in lieu of channel 51 in Louisville, Kentucky; ERP Vis. 240 kw, Aur. 120 kw; Antenna height above average terrain 228 feet. Welch, Mott & Morgan-attys (Forbes W. Blair) Jules Cohen-engr.	GRANTED	8-28-61
	7-20-61		AUTH.	ISSUED
BLCT-1140 R & F	9-10-61 9-11-61	License to cover CP (BPCT-2652, as modified by Order in Docket #14050) which authorized a new Commercial Television station Vincent B. Welch-atty	GRANTED	7-24-62
BRCT-512 Recd. & Filed	4-28-64 5-4-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Paul Dobin, Atty.	GRANTED	7-23-64

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Letters WLKY-TVName KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED
CH. 32 LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3427 Recd. & Filed	9-14-64 9-15-64	Construction Permit to change ERP from Vis.: 234 KW, Aur. 120 KW TO Vis. 274 kw (Horiz), Aur. 137 kw (Horiz); change trans- mitter location from 3947 Park Drive, Shively, Kentucky TO Bald Knob, Near New Albany, Indiana type of transmitter to RCA TTU-30A; type of antenna to RCA TPU-46K; make changes in antenna system and antenna height above average terrain to 1263.1 feet. Paul Dobin, (COHN & MARKS) KEAR & KENNEDY, ENGR.	GRANTED	1-23-65
BPCT-6146 Recd. & Filed	8-9-65 8-10-65	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3427, which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from 9-25-65 to 3-25-66. Cohn and Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	9-16-65

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Name KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED
CH#32 Louisville, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1528 R & F	12-1-65 12-3-65	License to cover CP (BPCT-3427, as mod, which authorized changes in existing station) and to specify Aural ERP as 54.8 kw. Cohn and Marks-atty	GRANTED	10-14-66
BRCT-512 Recd. FILED	4-15-67 4-17-67 4-18-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Marcus Cohn, Atty.	GRANTED	7-18-67
BPCT-4014 R & F AUG 4 1967 MAIN TRANSMITTER (WITH ALTERNATE EXCITERS) AND MAIN ANTENNA	7-17-67 7-28-67	Construction Permit to install an alternate exciter unit (driver) to operate with authorized RCA TTU-30A transmitter. Martin J. Gaynes, Atty. (Marcus Cohn)	GRANTED	9-11-67

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Letters **WLKY-TV**Name **KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED**
CH. 52 **Louisville, Kentucky**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-5461 R & F OCT 17 1967	9-29-67 10-10-67	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from George E. Egger, Helen A. Egger, William S. Cutchins, Richard F. Shively, Dillman A. Rash and Archibald P. Cochran to Sonderling Broadcasting Corporation. (Becker & Silberberg, atty)	GRANTED EFF: 1-15-68	12-13-67
BPCT-6817 R & F PRESS MAY 20 1968 MAIN TRANSMITTER (WITH ALTERNATE EXCITERS) AND MAIN ANTENNA	5-10-68 5-13-68	MP (BPCT-4014) to extend completion date to 8-10-68	\$30.4427993 GRANTED	5-13-68 5-21-68
BPCT-6949 R & F \$30.4473975 PRESS NOV 27 1968 MAIN TRANSMITTER (WITH ALTERNATE EXCITERS) & MAIN ANTENNA	11-20-68 11-21-68	MP (BPCT-4014, as mod.) to extend completion date to 3-1-69. A. Harry Becker, Atty. (Becker & Silberberg)	GRANTED L.C.	12-6-68

10-31-67 Lt. dated 10-23-67

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1918 Mallwood Ave.

P.O. Box 6205

Louisville, Kentucky 40206

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Name KENTUCKIANA TELEVISION, INCORPORATED
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAPLCT-97	12-27-58	Voluntary assignment of license and construction permit to WLKY-TV, Inc.	GRANTED	12-31-68
Rec.&Filed	12-30-68	Becker & Silberberg (A. Harry Becker), atty.	EFF:	12-31-68
PRESS				
PN. RECD.				
#480209 \$30.	12-30-68			
BLCT-1873	3-5-69	LICENSE (BPCT-4014, as mod.) for changes.	GRANTED	6-26-70
R & F	3-6-69	A. Harry Becker, Atty.		
\$30. #496353	MAR 24 1969			
PRESS				
MAIN TRANSMITTER (WITH ALTERNATE EXCITERS) AND MAIN ANTENNA				
BTC-5950	5-15-69	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Sonderling Broadcasting Corporation (an Illinois corporation) to Sonderling Broadcasting Corporation (a Delaware corporation).	GRANTED	5-23-69
R & F	5-16-69		EFF:	5-29-69
#515088 \$30	5-16-69			
PRESS:	MAY 21 1969			
PN REC'D:		Atty.: <u>Becker & Silberberg</u> P.C.		

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Name WLKY-TV, Inc.
Ch. 32 Louisville, Ky.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-512 R & F #598682 \$150 Press P N recd Engr. Data file 6-1-70	4-15-70 5-4-70 5-4-70 MAY 12 1970 5-4-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Jack Blume (Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Atty. Gaguine) Ltr. 5-13-70 from atty. submitting engr. data.	GRANTED	7-30-70
BRCT-4513 R & F #049470 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	3-8-72 3-10-72 3-10-72 MAR 20 1972	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 291kw(H), Aur. 58.2kw(H), Atty.: James K. Edmundson (Fly, Shuebruk)	GRANTED	6-15-72
BRCTV-58 R & F #055379 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	3-10-72 3-27-72 3-27-72 APR 4 1972	Request authority to oper. trans. by remote control from 1918 Mellwood Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky. Atty.: Fly, Shuebruk, <u>Blume</u> and Gaguine	GRANTED	8-8-72

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Letters WLKY-TVName WLKY-TV, INC.
CH-32 LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-2158 R & F #088467 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS:	6-29-72 7-5-72 7-5-72 JUL 13 1972	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4513) to chg. ERP. Atty.: Fly, Shuebruk, <u>Blume</u> and Gaguine	GRANTED	7-25-72
BTC-7008 R & F #124078 \$1000 AC: 051 PRESS: PN REC'D.: GRANT FEE: \$166,600.00 GRANT FEE PAID: 5-14-73 AC: 052 #185701	10-30-72 11-2-72 11-2-72 NOV 20 1972 11-22-72	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Sonderling Broadcasting Corporation to Combined Communications Corporation of Kentucky, Inc. Attys.: Fly, Shuebruk, <u>Blume</u> and Gaguine (Transferor) William S. Green (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) (Transferee) Amended 11-30-72 by Transferee re legal, financial & programming. Amended 12-18-72 by Transferee re other business interests Amended 1-29-73 re legal Amended 2-6-73 re financial	GRANTED	4-4-73 Eff: 5-10-73

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

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Letters WLKY-TVCOMBINED COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY, INC.WLKY-TV, INC.Name
CH. 32, LOUISVILLE, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-512 R & F PN RECD. ✓ PRESS:	4-18-73 5-1-73 5-1-73 MAY 15 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaginone Atty: H.J. Braun Amended 5-16-73 to submit info contained in BTC-7008	GRANTED	7-31-73
BALCT-524 R & F #204775 #250 AC: 055 PRESS: PN REC'D Form 316	6-7-73 6-25-73 6-25-73 JUL 3 1973	Voluntary assignment of license to Combined Communications of Kentucky, Inc. Atty: William S. Green (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) Superseded 9-4-73 to correct name to COMBINED COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY, INC.	GRANTED	8-9-73 Eff: 9-24-73

PHASE 1 REVIEWED ACTION

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-512 cont'd. PN Recd.	7-9-73	Amended 7-3-73 re other business interests and financial.		
BPCT-4811 R & F #365315 \$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	11-15-74 11-18-74 11-18-74 JAN 8 1975	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 1170kW(H), Aur. 234kW(H) and chg. type trans. to Gates BT-110U. Atty.: Harrison T. Slaughter (Pierson, Ball & Dowd)	GRANTED	2-18 75
BLCT-2435 R & F #461237 \$100. AC: 001 PRESS:	8-11-75 8-11-75 8-11-75 20 OCT 1975	License to cover (BPCT-4811) for changes. Atty: Harrison T. Slaughter (Pierson, Ball & Dowd)	GRANTED	11-6-75

Contours filed 4-1-76.

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Ch. 32, Louisville, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-512 R. & F PN recd Press	3-24-76 4-1-76 4-1-76 14 MAY 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Pierson, Ball & Dowd ATTY: Peter D. O'Connell Annual report filed Contours maps filed	GRANTED	7-14-76
BTC-780912KJ R&F:	9-12-78 SEP 29 1978	Voluntary transfer of control of Combined Communications Corporation, (parent corp. of licensee) from John J. Louis, Jr., Karl Eller, et al., stockholders of Combined Communications Corporation to Gannett Co., Inc.	GRANTED	6-7-79
BRCT 7 790402LH R & F PN rec'd PRESS	3-28-79 4-8-79 79 5 1	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Leon J. Schacter, atty; (Pierson, Ball, & Dowd) Contours filed 2-2-76	GRANTED	7-18-79

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Name: COMBINED COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION OF KENTUCKY, INC.

CH-32

Station Location: LOUISVILLE, KY

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMLCT-790523KF	5-23-79	Mod. of Lic. to decr. Aur. ERP to 430kW(M).	GRANTED 10-30-79
R & F	5-23-79		
PRESS:	9-26-79	Atty.: Harrison T. Slaughter (Pierson, Ball & Dowd)	

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March 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 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.

