

WLS-TV



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COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

NDEA

Date first licensed 10-10-49 (Off. #21)

Call letters WLS-TV (10-7-68)

Station location CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.

Transmitter location Sears Bldg., S. Wacker Dr. & Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill. (BL 3-20-78)
Between Dearborn and State Sts, S. of Kinzie, Chicago, Ill (BPCT-3023
gr. 9-20-62)

Main studio location State Lake Bldg., 190 N. State St., Chicago, Ill. (Redesc. BL 3-20-78)
State Lake Bldg., Southwest Corner of State and Lake Sts, Chicago,
BPCT-3023 9-20-62)

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMMERCIAL LICENSE 3/0

First Operation-----9-17-48

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WBKB-TV (9-29-65)

X WBKB-TV 2-12-58

Date first licensed 10-10-49 (#21)

Call letters WBKB-TV
(Station Loc: Chicago, Illinois)

AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (BAPLCT-74 12-21-66 EFF: Not Consummated)

X AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (BMLCT-303 8-12-65)

X AMERICAN BROADCASTING - PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC. (Granted 2-9-53 EFF: 2-9-53)

Name of licensee X AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Between Dearborn and State Streets, South of Kinzie, Chicago, Illinois (BPCT-3023 gr. 9-20-62)

Transmitter location X Civic Opera Bldg., Wacker Drive and Madison St., Chicago (Cook), Illinois

State Lake Building, Southwest Corner of State and Lake Streets, Chicago, Illinois (BPCT-3023 gr. 9-20-62)

X 190 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois (LTR. 1-31-61).

State Lake Building, Southwest corner, State & Lake Sts., Chicago, Ill (Lt. 4-23-57)

Wacker Drive and Madison St., Chicago, Illinois

X Civic Opera Building, Chicago, Ill (BPCT-5-18-48)

Main studio location X 190 North State Street, Chicago (Cook), Illinois

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Eff. Rad. Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
B4-PCT-80	7-25-46	Ch#7; 174-180mc	V-30kw A-15kw	U	9-25 3-25-47
C.P. for new commercial television broadcast station.					
BMPCT-49	3-11-47	same	same	same	9-25 9-25-47
Mod of CP(BPCT-80 which auth. new com'l telv. b/c station) for extension of completion date only.					
BMPCT-181	3-5-47	same	same	same	9-25-46 3-25-48
Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80 as mod.) which auth. new commercial television b/c station) for extension of completion date only.					
BMPCT-182	4-14-48	Same	Same	Same	9-25-46 7-1-48
Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80 as mod.) for extension of completion date.					
BMPCT-196	5-18-48	Ch.#7 174-180 mc.	ERP Vis. 25 kw Aur. 14 kw	U	9-25-46 9-1-48
Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80) to change S-location, decrease ERP, change type of equipment and change antenna system					
BPCT-287	8-20-48	Same	Same	Same	9-25-48 1-31-49
Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80 as mod.) for ext. of completion date					
9-16-48	STA operate on commercial basis, period 9-17-48 to 12-15-48; with antenna power gain 6.4, transmitter power output 4.3 kw. for visual operation and 2.4 kw. for aural operation, otherwise in exact accordance with Construction Permit (BMPCT-196)				
12-8-48	Ext. STA operate on commercial basis etc., period 12-16-48 to 1-31-49.				
BMPCT-399	12-31-48	Same	Same	Same	9-25-46 7-31-49
Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80 as mod.) for ext. of completion date.					
1-18-49	EXT. STA operate on a commercial basis etc. period 2-1-49 to 4-30-49				
4-20-49	EXT STA operate on commercial basis etc. period 5-1-49 to 7-31-49				
BPCT-53	10-10-49	Same	Same	Same	10-10-49 3-1-50.
License to cover CP (BPCT-80 as mod.)					

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WBKB-TV
Call letters X.W.B.N.R-TVAMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (BMLCT-303 8-12-65)
XAMERICAN BROADCASTING - PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC.

Name of licensee XAmerican Broadcasting Company, Inc.

Transmitter location Civic Opera Bldg., Wacker Drive and Madison St., Chicago (Cook), Illinois

Main studio location Civic Opera Bldg

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BSCT-21	1-25-50	Extension of license ---			2-1-50 to 6-1-50.
BSCT-21	5-31-50	"	"	"	6-1-50 9-1-50
BSCT-21	8-21-50	"	"	"	9-1-50 12-1-50
BSCT-21	11-29-50	"	"	"	12-1-50 3-1-51
BRCT-21	2-21-51	Same	Same	Same	2-21-51 2-1-52
	8-9-51	STA to operate with facilities specified in current license, except for visual transmitter output power of 5 kw. Period 8-9-51 to 2-1-52			
BRCT-21	1-30-52	Same	Same	Same	2-1-52 12-1-52
	1-31-52	EXT STA to operate with facilities specified in current license, except for vis. trans. output power of 5kw. Period 2-1-52 to 8-1-52 Conditional			
	7-31-52	EST STA to operate with facilities specified in current license license, except for visual transmitter output power of 5 kw. Period 8-1-52 to 12-1-52.			
	11-28-52	EXT STA to operate with equipment specified in current license and with vis. and aur. trans. output power of 5 kw, and 2.5 kw. Period 12-1-52 to 6-1-53.			
BRCT-21	11-13-52	Renewal of license			12-1-52 12-1-53
BALCT-16	2-9-53	Vol. assignment of license from American B/Cing Co., Inc. to American Broadcasting Paramount Theatres, Inc.			
BPCT-1493	5-12-53	Ch.#7 174-180	V-316 A-160	U	7-12-53 1-12-54
	C.P. to make changes in existing comm. TV broadcast station to change ERP, install new transmitters and antenna system, and make other equipment changes.				
Wire current Period:	5-28-53	Ext. STA operate commercial basis accord. license except trans. power output 5 KW Visual.			6-1-53 to 12-1-53.
WIRE BPCT-1493	7-20-53	STA operate commercial basis exact accord except use GE TF-4-A Amplifier Trans Power Output 20 KW Vis, 10 KW Aur. Period 8-10-53 to 1-12-54.			
BRCT-21	11-18-53	Renewal of license			12-1-53 12-1-54

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AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (BMLCT-303 8-12-65)

X AMERICAN BROADCASTING-PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC.

Name of licensee

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location SEE CARD # 1

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BMPCT-1618	12-8-53	same	same	same	7-12-53
Mod. CP(BPCT-1493,	to extend compl.	date			7-12-54
1-4-54	EXT. STA Opr. Comm.	basis exact	accordance	CP	
BMPCT-1618	except using General Electric TF-4A amplifier,	54			
power output 20 KW	Visual, 10 KW Aural.	Period Ending	7-12-		
2-1-54	Mod. STA Opr. Commercial	basis exact	accordance		
CP BMPCT-1618	except using General Electric TF-4 A				
Amplifier, power output 16 kw	Vis. 8 KW Aural, Period				
Ending 7-12-54					
4-16-54	STA Opr. Comm	basis	accordance	CP BMPCT-1618	except
using either GE TF-4A amplifier,	power output 7.5 kw	Vis			
3.75 Aur or RCA TT-5A transmitter,	power output 5 kw	Vis			
2.5 kw Aur & single section RCA custom Ant.	mounted on side				
of civic opera Bldg. overall height above ground 536 feet,					
Period Ending 7-12-54					
BMPCT-2044	4-16-54	Vis- 316			7-12-53
(Main Trans. & Ant)		Aur- 158			10-16-54
Mod CP(BPCT-1493, as mod)	to chg ERP, type of antenna & make				
minor equipment chgs.					
BPCT-1863	4-30-54	CH 7			6-30-54
Aux. Ant.		174-180			12-30-54
CP to install auxiliary antenna system at the main transmit					
Wire	6-16-54	Mod. & Ext. STA operate comm. basis accord			
CP(BMPCT-2044) except trans. power output 22 kw	Vis., 11 kw				
Aur. Period ending 10-16-54.					
BMPCT-2460	9-17-54	same	same	same	7-12-53
Mod. of CP(BPCT-1493, as mod.)	to ext. comp. date.	4-16-55			
Wire	9-21-54	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord	CP BMPCT-		
2460 except transmitter output 22 kw	Vis, 11 kw Aur.				
Period Ending 4-16-55.					
WIRE	11-29-54	Comm. on 11-24-54	Deferred action on		
Renewal application. Continued operation authorized pending					
determination of same.					
BRCT-21	1-27-55	same	same	same	1-27-55 12-1-55
(Main Trans. & Ant)	RENEWAL OF LICENSE & CONVERSION OF				
BPCT-1915	2-3-55	CH 7		EMERGENCY	4-3-55
AUX. TRANS.		174-180			10-3-55
CP to make chgs. in existing Aux. Trans. facilities located					
at Main transmitter site to add licensed Main trans. as					
AUXILIARY TRANSMITTERS.					

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Call letters **WBKB-TV**

Name of licensee

AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (EMLCT-303 8-12-65)
AMERICAN BROADCASTING-PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC.

Transmitter location **SEE CARD # 1**

Main studio location

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BLCT-233 Aux. Ant.	2-3-55	CH 7 174-180	--	Emergency test & Maint.	2-3-55 12-1-55
License to cover CP(BPCT-1863)					
BMPCT-2995	3-30-55	same	same	same	7-12-53
Mod. CP(BPCT-1493, as mod) to extend completion dt 10-3-55					
WIRE 4-1-55 EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-2995					
pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 10-3-55					
BRCT-21	11-9-55	same	same	same	12-1-55 12-1-58
MAIN TRANS. & ANT. RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-21	11-9-55	same	same	same	12-1-55 12-1-58
UX. ANT. RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPCT-2096	4-4-56	Ch. 7 174-180	1316 1188	U	6-4-56 10-3-56
MAIN TRANS. & ANT. CP to make changes in facilities of existing COMM. TV B/O					
Station to change type of transmitters.					
BPCT-2135	6-19-56	Ch. 7 174-180	--	Emergency test & Maint.	8-19-56 12-18-56
AUX. ANT. CP to install a new antenna system in connection with					
existing auxiliary antenna facilities.					
WIRE	5-21-56	AUTH. OPERATE COMM. Basis accord.			
MPCT-2995 except reduced ERP using two 1020P ANT.					
pending repair main ant. period ending 7-21-56					
WIRE	5-23-56	MOD. AUTH. OPERATE COMM. BASIS accord.			
PCT-2096 except pending repair to main ant. as					
above period ending 10-3-56					
WIRE	7-11-56	EXT. AUTH. OPER. COMM. BASIS ACCORD.			
WIRE 5-21-56 pending completion construction to					
9-21-56					
BMPCT-4185	9-18-56	same	same	same	6-4-56 12-3-56
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					
Mod. of D.P. (BPCT-2096) to ext. comp. date.					
WIRE	9-26-56	Pending filing amendment to Lic. Appl.			
BLCT-380	ext. auth. gr. to Oprl WBKB, Chicago, Temp. Per. 4nd.				
12-3-56 Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-4185.					
BLCT-380	1-15-57	Ch. #7 174-180	V-316kw A-158kw	U	1-15-57 12-1-58
AH 630 and (BPCT-2096) as mod					
License to cover (BPCT-1493, as mod.) (Main Trans. & Ant.)					
BLCT-514	1-15-57	CH. #7 174-180	--	Emergency Test & Maint.	1-15-57 12-1-58
AH 630					
License to cover (BPCT-2135) (Aux. Ant.)					

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Station location CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (BMLCT-303 8-12-65)
☒ AMERICAN BROADCASTING - PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BLCT-293 Aux. Trans. License to cover (BPCT-1915)	1-15-57	CH # 7 174-180	- Emerg.	Test & Maint.	1-15-57 12-1-58
BRCT-21 AH: 630'	11-25-58	CH # 7 174-180	V-316 kw A-158 kw	U	12-1-58 12-1-61
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA/RENEWAL OF LICENSE (CONDITION)					
BRCT-21 AUX. TRANSMITTER	11-25-58	CH # 7 174-180	- Emerg.	Test & Maint.	12-1-58 12-1-61
RENEWAL OF LICENSE (CONDITION)					
BRCT-21 AUX. ANTENNA	11-25-58	CH # 7 174-180	- Emerg.	Test & Maint.	12-1-58 12-1-61
RENEWAL OF LICENSE (CONDITION)					
ACTION ON RENEWALS DEFERRED 11-29-61 ON ALL THREE					
BPCT-3023 AH-890'	9-20-62	Ch. 7 174-180	V-316 kw A-158 kw	U	11-20-62 5-20-63
MSL:1549' MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					
CP to chg. T-L; install new ant. sys.; chgs. in eqpt. & AH					
BRCT-21 AH: 630'	2-19-63	CH.#7 174-180	V-316 kw A-158 kw	U	2-19-63 12-1-64
MAIN TRANS. & ANT. RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-21 AUX. TRANSMITTER	2-19-63	CH #7 174-180	- Emerg.	Test & Maint.	2-19-63 12-1-64
LONG FORM RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-21 AUX. ANTENNA	2-19-63	CH #7 174-180	- Emerg.	Test, Maint.	2-19-63 12-1-64
LONG FORM RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BMPCT-5844 Mod.CP (BPCT-3023)	5-20-63	Same	Same	Same	11-20-62 11-20-63
to extend completion date & Ant.					
BMPCT-5905 Mod.CP (BPCT-3023, as mod)	11-12-63	same	same	same	11-20-62 7-20-64
to extend compl. date					
BPCT-3023 AH: 890'	1-20-64	CH.#7 174-180	V-316 kw A-158 kw	U	11-20-62 7-20-64
MSL:1549' MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					
MODIFIED CP issued 2-7-64 to delete para.1 from obst. markings					
BMPCT-5972 AH: 630'	5-28-64	CH.#7 174-180	V-316 kw A-31.6 kw	U	7-28-64 1-28-65
*Issued as NEW CP to change current licensed FACILITIES.					

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Call letters WKBK (TV)

Station location CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (EMLCT-303 8-12-65)
Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING - PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
WIRE	7-20-64	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERATE			
WBKB MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION				
3.629 RULES & CP	BMPCT-5972				
BMPCT-5981	7-21-64	same	same	same	11-20-62
Mod. CP (BMPCT-3023, as mod)	to extend completion date 1-21-65				
BLCT-1378	9-30-64	CH. 7	V-316 kw	U	9-30-64
AH: 630'		174-180	A-31.6 kw		12-1-64
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA.	LICENSE to cover CP (BMPCT-5972).				
WIRE	12-3-64	ATTN: CLURE OWEN, REURTEL 1. PEND COMP.			
CONSTRUCTION & FILING LIC. APPL., AUTH. GR. OPER. WBKB					
WITH FACILITIES SPECIFIED IN BMPCT-6006 TEMP. PERIOD END					
2-1-65 IN ACCORD. WITH STEPS (A) AND (C) DESCRIBED IN YOUR					
WIRE. ADV. IF OPER. IS CONDUCTED UNDER STEP (A) & WHEN					
REGULAR SCHEDULED PROGRAM OPER. COMMENCES UNDER STEP (C).					
NO OBJECTION TO CONDUCTING EQUIP. TESTS UNDER STEP (B).					
ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 12-9-64					
WIRE	12-22-64	ATTN CLURE OWEN. REURTEL 17. EXT. AUTH.			
GR. OPERATE WBKB TEMP. PERIOD END. 2-1-65 WITH AUX. TRANS.					
AND WITHOUT SIDEBAND FILTER ACCORD. COMM. WIRE OF 11-20-64					
BMPCT-6006	10-14-64	CH. 7	V-269kw	U	11-20-62
AH: 890' HSL: 1549'		174-180	A-31.6kw		4-14-65
MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	Mod. of CP (BMPCT-3023 as mod.) to chg				
type of trans. & decrease Aural Exp. & make chgs in ant sys					
WIRE	3-18-65	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL., AUTH. GR.			
OPER. WBKB ON PRG. TEST ACCORD. SECTION 73.629 RULES &					
BMPCT-6006.					
BRCT-21	4-28-65	same	same	same	4-28-65
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	RENEWAL OF LICENSE				12-1-67
BRCT-21	4-28-65	same	same	same	4-28-65
AUXILIARY TRANS.	RENEWAL OF LICENSE				12-1-67
BRCT-21	4-28-65	same	same	same	4-28-65
AUXILIARY ANTENNA	RENEWAL OF LICENSE				12-1-67
BNLCT-303	8-12-65	CH. 7	V-316kw	U	8-12-65
AH: 630'		174-180	A-31.6kw		12-1-67
MAIN TRANS. & ANT. Mod. of license to change name to					
AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.					

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Call letters W B K B-TV

Station location CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (EMLCT-303 8-12-65)
X AMERICAN BROADCASTING -PARAMOUNT THEATRES, INC.

Transmitter location _____

Main studio location _____

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BMLCT-303 AUX. TRANS.	8-12-65	CH. 7 174-180	FOR EMERG., TEST & MAINT. PURP. ONLY		8-12-65 12-1-67
Mod. of License to change name to AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. CANCELLED 9-20-67					
BMLCT-303 AUX. ANTENNA	8-12-65	CH. 7 174-180	FOR EMERG., TEST & MAINT. OPER. ONLY		8-12-65 12-1-67
Mod. of License to change name to AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.					
BMPCT-5133 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	8-12-65	CH. 7 174-180	SAME	SAME	8-12-65 4-14-65
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3023, as mod.) to change name to AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.					
WIRE EXT. AUTH.	1-7-66	REURTEL 7.	PENDING ANTENNA INVESTIGATION		
AURAL POWER 20 PERCENT OF AUTH. VISUAL POWER.					
WIRE EXT. AUTH.	4-6-66	REURTEL 1.	PENDING ACTION ON BPCT-3714,		
WITH AURAL POWER 20 PERCENT OF AUTH. VISUAL POWER					
WIRE FILING LIC. APPLC'S.	6-2-66	PENDING COMPLETION CONSTRUCTION & AUTH. GR. OPERATE WBKB-TV TEMP. PER.			
END 9-2-66 ACCORD. BPCT-3713 & 3714.					
BLCT-11465 Main Trans. & Ant.	4-27-66	CH. # 7 174-180	V-275 kw A-31.6 kw	U	4-27-66 12-1-67
License to cover CP (BPCT-3023, as modified).					
BPCT-3713	5-9-66	CH. # 7 174-180	V-275 kw A-55.0 kw	U	7-9-66 1-9-67
CP to increase Aural ERP and change Aural Antenna. MAIN TRANS. & ANT.					
BPCT-3714 AUX. ANTENNA	5-9-66	CH. # 7 174-180	FOR EMERG., TEST MAINT. OPER. ONLY		7-9-66 1-9-67
CP to change Aural Antenna.					
WIRE OPER. WBKB-TV MAIN	8-19-65	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTHORITY GR. ANT. AND AUX. ANT. ON PROGRAM			
TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CONSTRUCTION PERMIT					
BPCT-3713 & 3714					
BPCT-74	12-21-66	Voluntary assignment of construction permit and license to AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.			
EFF.					

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Station location CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location _____

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BLCT-1601 AUX. ANTENNA LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3714) which auth. chg. of Aux. Ant.	5-23-67	CH. 7 174-180	-- EMERG. TEST & MAINT.		5-23-67 12-1-67
BLCT-1600 MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AH: 890' MSL: 1549'	6-30-67	CH. 7 174-180	V-275 kw A-55.0 kw	U	6-30-67 12-1-67
LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3713) which auth. chgs. in station					
BRCT-21 MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	11-24-67	same	same	same	12-1-67 12-1-70
BRCT-21 AUXILIARY ANTENNA	11-24-67	same	same	same	12-1-67 12-1-70
BRCT-21 MAIN TRANS. & ANT. & AUX. ANT.	10-6-71				RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA (S) 12-1-73
ESBA	5-15-72				
BPCT-4546 AH: 1780' MSL: 2399'	3-15-73	Ch. 7 174-180	V. 44.7 kw A. 8.91 kw	U	5-15-73 ✓ 9-15-74
CP to chg BRP, TL, trans, Ant. and HAAT					
BPCT-4667 BMPCT-7500 ALTERNATE-MAIN-TRANSMITTER	11-14-73	GP and MP (BPCT-4546)			11-14-73 5-14-75
Wire auth. grtd. by Ltr. dtd. 10-25-73 hereby mod. to specify Gates BT-25/25H1 trans. in lieu of Gates BT-18/18H.	1-10-74	Special Interim oper. & Exp. oper.			
BMPCT-7513 (1)	1-14-74	MP (BPCT-4667) to chg. trans.			
WIRE	2-1-74	Relet Consulting engineering. Authority granted operate WLS-TV with circularly polarized antenna specified in special temporary authorization dated October 25, 1973 as necessary during hours midnight to 6:00 A. M. period February 3, 1974 thru February 9, 1974.			
WIRE	4-23-74	Special interim oper. and experi. oper. auth. grtd WLS-TV by letter dated 10-25-73 and modified by wire dated 1-10-74 is hereby further modified to permit oper. in accord. with the tech. specif. submitted by letters dated 3-25 and 27, 1974.			

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CARD#9

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Station location CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
Wire	5-8-74	Auth. grtd. oper. with either interim, horizontally polarized ant. or experimental, circularly polarized ant. as nec., temp. per. end. 8-8-74			
BRCT-21	7-3-74	Renewal of License (L)			12-1-76
Main transmitter & ant.					
BRCT-21	7-3-74	Renewal of License (L)			12-1-76
Aux. Ant.					
Wire	8-13-74	Authority granted oper. with either interim, horizontally polarized antenna or experimental, circularly polarized antenna as necessary, temp. per. end. 11-6-74			
BPCT-4877	9-8-75	Ch. 7	V. 44.7 kW	U	11-3-75
AH: 1,780' MSL: 2,399' 174-180 A. 8.91 kW					3-8-76
CP to replace expired permits (BPCT-4546/BPCT-4667) for Main and Alternate Main Transmitters.					
BRCTV-284	10-8-75	Remote control authority (1)			
BPCT-4895	11-11-75	Ch. 7	V. 34.7 kW	DA	1-11-76
AH: 1500' MSL: 2154' 174-180 A. 6.92					5-11-77
CP to chg ERP, trans., ant & HAAT					
BLCT-2452	11-26-75	Ch. 7	V. 34.7 kW	DA	12-1-76
AH: 1500' MSL: 2154' 174-180 A. 6.92 kW DA					
Lic (BPCT-4895) for chgs					
WIRE	11-7-75	Est. auth. grtd. oper WLS-TV with either interim, horizontally polarized antenna or experimental, circularly polarized ant. as necessary temp. per. end. 2-5-76.			
BMPCT-7625	7-26-76	MP (BPCT-4877) to extend completion date			1-26-77
(1)					
WIRE	8-5-76	Auth. extend. temp. operation with either, Horizontally polarized ant. or experimental circularly polarized ant. This auth. expires 11-5-76.			
BRCT-21	12-16-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			12-1-79

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed _____

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Station location Chicago, Illinois

Name of licensee AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BMPCT-7679 (2)	2-28-77	MP(BPCT-4877 as mod)			8-28-77
to extend completion date					
WIRE	2-9-77	Auth extended temp. oper. with either horizontally polarized ant. or experimental circularly polarized ant., this auth. exp. 5-5-77			
WIRE	4-12-77	Auth. granted operate WLS-TV per your request on April 26, 1977.			
WIRE	5-3-77	Auth. extended temp. oper. with either horizontally polarized antenna or experimental circularly polarized ante. This auth. exp. 8-3-77.			
BMPCT-7694 {3}	8-15-77	MP (BPCT-4877, as mod)			2-15-78
to extend completion date					
WIRE	8-3-77	Auth. ext. temp. oper. with either horizontally polarized ant. or experimental circularly polarized ant. This auth. expires 11-1-77.			
WIRE	9-27-77	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. operl. WLS-TV aux. trans. and ant. and alt. main trans. and ant. on program test accord. Sec. 73.629 rules and CP BPCT-5095.			
BPCT-5095	3-20-78	Ch-7	V-39.8kW(DA)	Unl.	5-20-78
AH:1500' MSL:2114.45'	174-180	A-7.94kW(DA)	RC		9-20-79
CP for Custom built ant. (Alt. Main Trans. & Ant.)					
BPCT-5095	3-20-78	Ch-7	V---	Emer. Test.	3-20-78
AH:--- MSL:2114.45'	174-180	A---		& Maint. Purp.	9-20-79
CP for former Main as Auxiliary (Aux. Trans. & Ant.)					
BLCT-2587	3-20-78	Ch-7	V-39.8kW(DA)	Unl.	3-20-78
AH:1500' MSL:2114.45'	174-180	A-7.94kW(DA)	RC		12-1-79
Lic. to cover (BPCT-5095) for chgs. (Alt. Main Trans. & Ant.)					
BLCT-2587	3-20-78	Ch-7	V---	Emer. Test	3-20-78
AH:--- MSL:2114.45'	174-180	A---		& Maint. Purp.	12-1-79
Lic. to cover (BPCT-5095) for Aux. Trans.					
BMPCT-7725 {4}	9-11-78	MP(BPCT-4877, as mod.)			to extend completion date 3-11-79

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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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Transmitter Location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BMPCT-790222KF {5}	4-23-79	MP{BPCT-4877 as mod.} to extend completion date	10-23-79
BMPCT-791002KF (6)	4-7-80	MP(BPCT-4877 as mod.) to extend completion date.	10-7-80
----- BMPCT-800827KI	9-26-80	MP(BPCT-4877, as mod.) to extend completion date to	3-26-81
----- BRCT-790801LB	12-31-79	RENEWAL OF LIC.{S}	12-31-79

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X AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

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~~BLUE NETWORK COMPANY, INC.~~

X(P.O. 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York (20), N. Y.)

P. O. 1501 Broadway, New York, N. Y.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-PCT-80 Recd. Filed	8-26-44	Construction permit for new commercial television broadcast station. Frequency: Channel No. 8, 162000-168000 kcs. ESR: 1475 Hours of Operation: Unlimited Time Transmitter Location: Madison & North Canal Sts. Chicago, Ill. Studio Location: To be determined, Chicago, Ill. (Aur-GE, Max. 2kw) (Vla-GE, Max. 4kw peak)	GRANTED	8-28-44
	8-28-44			46
	8-28-44			
Amended	7-12-45	Amended to change name from Blue Network Company, Inc. to AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. and change frequency from Ch. #8, 162-168 mcs. to Ch. #6, 82-88 mcs.		
Recd.	7-14-45			
Filed	7-14-45			

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Dr. Frank G. Kear, Engr.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
Amended Rec'd Filed	6-17-46 6-18-46 6-18-46	Amended to change frequency from Ch. #6, 82-88 mcs. to Ch. #7, 174-180 mcs., type of transmitters, transmitter location from Madison & North Canal Sts. to Madison St. and Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill., and make changes in antenna system. (Aud.-RCA, Max. 7.5 kw) (Vis.-RCA, Max. 15 kw peak)		
EMFCT-49 Rec'd Filed	7-22-47 8-26-47 8-26-47	Mod of CP(B4-PCT-80) which auth. construction of new com'l television b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-25-47 to 3-25-48, respectively.	GRANTED	3-11-47
EMFCT-108 Rec'd Filed	8-25-47 8-25-47 8-25-47	Mod. of C.P.(B4-PCT-80 as mod. which authorized new com'l television b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-25-47 to 3-25-48, respectively. filed by A.G. Halley, att'y	GRANTED	9-5-47

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BMFCT-182 Rec'd Filed	2-20-48 2-24-48 2-24-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80, as mod., which authorized new commercial tel. b/c station) for extension of completion date from 3-25-48 to 9-1-48. Filed by Andrew G. Halay, Att'y	GRANTED	4-14-48
BMFCT-196 Rec'd Filed	2-27-48 3-1-48 3-1-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80, as mod., which authorized new commercial tel. b/c station) to change S-location from To be determined, Chicago, Ill. to Civic Opera Bldg., Wacker Dr. & Madison Ave., Chicago, Ill., decrease ERP from Vis. 30 kw, Aur. 15 kw, to Vis. 28 kw, Aur. 14 kw, change type of equipment and change antenna system. (Vis. & Aur. RCA, TT-5A) Filed by Andrew G. Halay, Att'y	GRANTED	5-18-48
BMFCT-287 Rec'd Filed	8-5-48 8-6-48 8-6-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-80, as mod., which authorized new commercial tel. b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-48 to 1-31-49. Filed by Andrew G. Halay, Atty	GRANTED	8-20-48

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Name X American Broadcasting Company, Inc.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLPOT-399 Recd Filed	12-15-48 12-17-48 12-17-48	Mod. of CP (BPCT-80 as mod., which authorized new Comm. TV. b/c station) for extension of completion date from 1-31-49 to 7-31-49 Filed by Andrew G. Haley, Att'y.	GRANTED	12-31-48
BLCT-32 Recd & Filed	7-15-49 7-18-49	License to cover CP (BPCT-80 as mod.) which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station. Filed by Andrew G. Haley, Atty.	GRANTED	10-10-49
BRCT-21 Recd & Filed	11-30-49 12-2-49	Renewal of license. Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	2-21-51
BRCT-21 (continued)		Petition filed 3-14-51 by Station WSAV for Reconsideration. Letter filed 3-14-51 by Cong. Harry R. Sheppard reference objection to grant.		
BALCT-16 Recd & Filed	7-9-51 7-12-51	Voluntary assignment of license from American Broadcasting Company, Inc. to American Broadcasting-Paramount Theatres, Inc. and if granted to request Call Letters WBBB. Baul Porter, Atty.	GRANTED (DECISION DOCKET 10046)	2-9-53 10046

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Chicago, Ill.

(P. O. West 66th Street, New York 23, New York)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-21 Recd & Filed	10-31-51 11-6-51	Renewal of license Filed by Andrew G. Haley, Atty.	GRANTED	1-30-52
BRCT-21 Recd & Filed	8-27-52 9-2-52	Renewal of license Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	11-13-52
BPCT-1493 Recd & filed	12-22-52 12-29-52	Construction permit to make changes in existing Commercial TV Broadcast station to change ERP from Vis. 25 kw, Aur. 14 kw, to Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw, install new transmitters and antenna system, and make other equipment changes. (Vis & Aur. GE TT-25-A) (731') Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	5-2-53
Amended Recd & Filed	3-31-53 4-2-53	Amended 4-2-53, re Sec. I, II and III result- ing from merger, (to change name). Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr. Atty.		
BRCT - 21 Recd & Filed	8-31-53 9-2-53	Renewal of License Filed by David S. Stevens, Attorney	GRANTED	11-18-53

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
WMPOT-1618 Recd. Filed	11-25-53 12-3-53 12-3-53	Mod. of CP(WPOT-1493, which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 1-12-54 to _____ Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	12-8-53
WMPOT-2044 Recd. Filed MAIN	3-30-54 4-6-54 4-6-54	Mod. of CP(WPOT-1493, as mod., which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to change ERP from Aur. 160 kw to Aur. 158 kw. Change type of antenna and make minor equipment changes. (629') Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	4-16-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1863 Recd & filed Aux. Trans & Ant.	3-31-54 4-8-54	OP to install auxiliary transmitters and Antenna system at the main transmitter site to operate on Channel # 7, 174-180 Mcs. ERP Vis. 6.5 kw, Aur. 3.4 kw (541') (20A-7754-02-77-4A) Filed by James A. McKenna, Atty. Amended to delete any reference to auxiliary transmitters. Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	4-30-54
Amended Recd & filed	4-19-54 4-21-54			
BLCT-233 Recd filed (Aux. Ant.)	8-4-54 8-9-54 8-9-54	License to cover construction permit (BPCT- 1863) which authorized installation of auxiliary antenna system. Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	2-3-55
BPCT-2460 Recd. & Filed (MAIN ANT.)	8-17-54 8-19-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1493, as mod., which author- ized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 10-16-54 to <u>4-16-55</u> Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.	GRANTED	9-17-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BPOT-21 Recd & filed	8-30-54 9-2-54	Renewal of license Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	1-27-55
BPOT-1935 recd & filed AUX. Trans. & Ant.	10-14-54 10-20-54	OP to make changes in existing aux. antenna facilities located at main transmitter site to add currently licensed main transmitters as auxiliary transmitters. (RQA-TT-5A) filed direct.	GRANTED (Issued for Aux. Trans. Facilities) only	2-3-55
Granted as Aux. Trans. facilities Dated Recd.	2-8-55 2-9-55	Formal Complaint and request for Revocation of License, filed by Jack Guzik, Chicago, Ill.	DISMISSED at request of Complainer (Request dated 3-7-55)	
BPOT-2995 Recd & filed Ext # 4 Main Trans. & Ant.	3-4-55 3-7-55	Mod. of OP (BPOT-1493 as mod, which auth. changes in facilities of existing comm. TV b/c station) to extend completion date from 4-16-55 to Filed direct	GRANTED	3-30-55

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-293 Recd & filed (AUX. TRANS.)	3-15-55 3-17-55	License to cover CP (BPCT-1915 which auth. auxiliary transmitters located at main trans. site. filed direct	GRANTED	1-15-57
BPCT-21 REC'D & FILED MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	8-30-55 9-1-55.	Renewal of License. Filed direct.	GRANTED	11-9-55
BPCT-21 REC'D & FILED AUX ANT.	8-30-55 9-1-55	Renewal of license. Filed direct.	GRANTED	11-9-55
BLCT-380 Recd. & Filed Main Trans. & Antenna AMENDED	9-28-55 9-29-55 11-26-56	License to cover CP (BPCT-1493, as mod.,) which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station. Filed direct. AMENDED to also cover facilities specified in BPCT-2096 as modified. Filed direct.	GRANTED	1-15-57
REC'D & FILED	11-27-56			
BPCT-2096 Recd & Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	3-5-56 3-9-56	C.P. to make changes in facilities of existing Comm TV B/C Station, to change type of transmitters. (Vis. & Aur. C.E. IT-36A) Filed direct	GRANTED	4-4-56

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
NPCT-2135	5-8-56	CP to install a new antenna system in connection with existing auxiliary antenna facilities. (584')	GRANTED	6-19-56
Recd & Filed (AUX. ANT.)	5-22-56	Filed direct		
NPCT-514	8-30-56	License to cover C.P. (NPCT-2135) which authorized a new antenna system in connection with existing auxiliary antenna facilities.	GRANTED	1-15-57
Recd. & Filed (Aux. Ant.)	8-21-56	Filed direct.		
NPCT-4105	8-31-56	Mod. of CP (NPCT-2135), which authorized changes in facilities of existing COMM. TV B/C Station to extend completion date from 10-3-56 to 12-3-56.	GRANTED	9-18-56
Recd & Filed Ext. #1 MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA.	8-28-56	Filed Direct		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-21	8-29-58	Renewal of License. (copies only*)	1 copy returned	11-12-58
Recd & Filed	9-3-58	Filed direct	to atty.	
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA *		Original filed 11-12-58	GRANTED	11-25-58 *
BRCT-21	8-29-58	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	11-25-58 *
Recd & Filed	9-3-58	Filed direct.		
AUX. TRANS.				
BRCT-21	8-29-58	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	11-25-58 *
Recd & Filed	9-3-58	Filed direct.		
ANT. ANT.				

All three above are subject to the following condition: "The grant herein is without prejudice to such action as the Commission may deem warranted as the result of its final determinations (1) with respect to the conclusions and recommendations set forth in the Report of the Network Study Staff and (2) with respect to related studies and inquiries now being considered or conducted by the Commission"

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3023 R & F MAIN TRANSMITTERS AND ANTENNA	3-30-62 4-2-62	Construction permit to change transmitter location from Civic Opera Building, Wacker Drive and Madison Avenue, Chicago, Illinois to Atop Marina City Building (to be constructed) Between Dearborn and State, South of Kinzie, Chicago, Illinois, install new antenna system (Traveling Wave) RCA TW-18A-B Make changes in equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 893.3 feet. Filed direct	GRANTED	9-20-62
BMPCT-5844 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	4-17-63 4-18-63	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3023, which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from 5-20-63 to SPRING 1964.	GRANTED	5-20-63
BMPCT-5905 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS.& ANT.	10-3-63 10-4-63	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3023, as mod., which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from 11-20-63 to Late summer or early Fall 1964.	GRANTED	11-12-63

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMFCT-5972 Recd.&Filed Main Trans.& Ant.	5-5-64 5-7-64	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3023, as mod., which authorized changes in existing station) to reduce Aural ERP from 158 kw to 31.6 kw; and change type of Aural transmitter to GE TT-32B.	GRANTED Issued as new CP.	5-28-64 *
BMFCT-5981 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS.& ANTENNA	6-8-64 6-10-64	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3023, as mod., which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from 7-20-64 to LATE FALL 1964.	GRANTED	7-21-64
BLCT-1378 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	7-16-64 7-17-64	License to cover CP (BMFCT-5972) which authorized changes in existing station.	GRANTED	9-30-64
BMFCT-6006 R & F MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	9-2-64 9-3-64	Modification of CP (BPCT-3023, as mod., which authorized changes in existing station) to change type of transmitters to G. E. TT-32-B; decrease Aural ERP from 158 kw to 31.6 kw and make changes in antenna system.	GRANTED ABC CONDITION	10-14-64

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-21	8-28-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-28-65
Recd.&Filed	9-2-64	*David S. Stevens, Atty. (McKENNA & WILKINSON)	same as previous condition	
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA				
BRCT-21	8-28-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-28-65
Recd.&Filed	9-2-64	*	same as previous condition	
AUX. TRANS.				
BRCT-21	8-28-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-28-65
Recd.&Filed	9-2-64	*	same as previous condition	
AUX. ANTENNA				
BPCT-6068	12-17-64	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3023, as mod., which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from 4-14-65 to	DISMISSED	3-24-65
Recd.&Filed	12-21-64		As Moot. (See BLCT-1465)	
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA				
BLCT-1465	3-12-65	License to cover CP (BPCT-3023, as mod.) which authorized changes in existing station.	GRANTED	4-27-66
Recd.&Filed	3-15-65			
MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA				

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-303 R & F	7-8-65 7-12-65	Mod. of License to change name to AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.	GRANTED	8-12-65
BMPCT-6133 R & F	7-8-65 7-12-65	Mod. of CP (BMPCT-3023, as mod., which auth. chgs. in existing station) to change name to American Broadcasting Companies, Inc.	GRANTED	8-12-65
BPCT- 3713 Rec. & filed MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	1-25-66 1-28-66	Construction permit to increase the aural ERP from 31.6 kw to 63.2 kw; and make changes in aural antenna.	GRANTED	5-9-66
BPCT- 3714 Rec. & filed AUX. ANTENNA	1-25-66 1-28-66	Construction permit to change aural antenna to Alford 1046P previously authorized in BMPCT-6006. (Contingent on grant of BPCT-3713).	GRANTED	5-9-66

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Ch. 7 Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAPLCT-74 Rec. & filed	3-31-66 3-31-66	Voluntary assignment of construction permit and license to American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty. for assignor Cohn & Marks, Atty. for assignee	GRANTED EFF:	12-21-66
BLCT-1500 R & F Main. Trans. & Ant.	8-15-66 8-18-66	License cover CP (BPCT-3713) which authorized changes in existing station. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	6-30-67
BLCT-1601 R & F Auxiliary Antenna	8-15-66 8-18-66	License to cover CP (BPCT-3714) which auth. change of Aural Antenna. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	5-23-67
PETITION TO DENY PENDING APPLICATIONS AND FOR THE COMMISSION TO CALL FOR AND DENY OTHER APPLICATIONS filed 11-1-66 by Cottone for Antwin Theatres, Inc.				

BAFLCT-74

COMMISSION on 2-1-67 adopted an ORDER FOR PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION in Docket 16828
STAYING Commission's action of 12-21-66. COMM. AFFIRMED GRANT OF ASSIGNMENT 6-22-67
PURSUANT TO OPINION AND ORDER

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Name **AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.**
CH. 7 **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-21 R & F MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	8-30-67 9-1-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE David S. Stevens, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson) RENEWAL OF NDEA	GRANTED	11-24-67
BRCT-21 R & F AUXILIARY ANTENNA	8-30-67 9-1-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE David S. Stevens, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson) RENEWAL OF NDEA	GRANTED	11-24-67
SEP 14 1967				
Ingr. data filed BRCT-21 Rec. & filed PRESS	6-24-70 8-20-70 8-31-70 SEP 4 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. ANT. (Robert W. Coll) McKenna & Wilkinson Amended 10-1--70 re legal Amended 3-5-71 to submit policy statement Amended 4-2-71 to submit policy statement.	I GRANTED CONDITIONAL	10-6-71
Annual filing fee \$9,200.00 paid 12-1-70 #647095.				
F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.				

BRCT-21

PETITION TO DENY RENEWAL OF BROADCAST LICENSES filed 11-16-70 by Taskforce for Community Broadcasting, et al.

Ltr. 3-1-71 from Better Broadcasting Council, Inc. on behalf of Taskforce req. withdrawal of Petition to Deny.

BRCT-21 - Condition: 1) the outcome of the now pending civil antitrust action in which American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., is a party defendant (Civil Action File No. 70 Civ. 4202 N. S. District Court for the Southern District of New York) and (2) that the defendant shall immediately notify the Commission of the final disposition of the case.

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BRCT-4546 R & F #098906 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	8-7-72 8-9-72 8-9-72 AUG 14 1972	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 45.8kw, Aur. 9.2kw; TL to Sears Bldg., S. Wacker Dr. & Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill. (41-52-44 87-38-10); type trans. to RCA TT-12EHS; type ant. to RCA THF-6H(S); make chgs. in ant. structure; and HAAT 1780 ft. Atty.: Robert W. Coll (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	3-15-73
BRCT-21 R&F PN REC'D PRESS:	8-23-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 SEP 26 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Robert W. Coll (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Main Trans. & Ant. Aux. Ant.	GRANTED	7-3-74 See condition on back of card #20.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION letter 10-25-73:

- (1) Experimental operation utilizing circular polarization may be used only during normal non-scheduled program hours.
- (2) Suitable audio or video announcements shall be made immediately before and after transmission to advise the public of the experimental transmission.
- (3) ABC shall submit to the Commission a status report every 6 months and a final report at the expiration of the experimental authorization.
- (4) The Commission may modify or terminate this authorization at any time.

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BMPCT-7500 R & F #23672950 AC: 058 PRESS:	9-21-73 9-26-73 9-26-73 OCT 12 1973	MP(BPCT-4546) tochg. type trans. GATES BT-18/18H . Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED Issue with	11-14-73 BPCT-4667
BPCT-4667 R & F #23672950 AC: 058 PRESS:	9-21-73 9-26-73 9-26-73 OCT 12 1973	GP to install an Alternate Main Transmitter (GATES BT-18/18H) at Main Trans-Ant. location Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED Issued with	11-14-73 BMPCT-7500

*See appl with cons: 4546 + 4667
V-C filed 12-17-73 called 12-13-73 to file 2nd*
F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D.C.

PETITION TO DENY filed 11-1-73 by Mallyck & Beruton on behalf of Dubuque Communications Corp.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 11-13-73 by James A. McKenna on behalf of American B/C Co., Inc.

WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION TO DENY filed 3-22-74 by Theodore Mallyck on behalf of Dubuque Communications Corp. (KDUB-TV)

HRC-21 granted 7-3-74; conditions:

These grants are conditioned on, and without prejudice to whatever action, if any, the Commission may deem appropriate as the result of final action in: (1) The now pending civil antitrust action in which American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., is a party defendant (Civil Action File No. 70 Civ. 4202, U. S. District Court for the Southern District of New York); (2) The now pending civil antitrust action in which American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., is a party defendant (Civil Action File No. 72-821-LTL, U. S. District Court for the Central District of California); (3) The now pending civil antitrust action in which American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., is a party defendant (Civil Action File No. 73 Civ. 1473, U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division); and (4) That the defendant shall immediately notify the Commission of the final disposition of each case.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BPCT-7513 R & F #258906 \$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	12-13-73 12-17-73 12-7-73 DEC 21 1973	MP(BPCT-4667) to chg. type trans. to Gates BT-25/25H1. Atty.: Thomas W. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	1-14-74
BPCT-4877 R & F #456243 \$100 AC: 001 PRESS:	7-24-75 7-25-75 7-25-75 1 8 AUG 1975	CP to replace expired permits (BPCT-4546/BPCT- 4667) for Main and Alternate Main Transmitters. REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 1.534(b) OF THE RULES. Atty.: McKenna, <u>Wilkinson</u> & Kittner	GRANTED	9-8-75

WLS
"First Interim Engineering Report" filed 10-16-74 by Vernon L. Wilkinson on behalf of WLS-TV
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRCTV-284 R & F #473924 \$100. AC: 001 PRESS:	9-9-75 9-11-75 9-11-75 23 SEP 1975	Request authority to operate transmitter by remote control from 190 N. State Street, Chicago, Illinois. Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	10-8-75
BRCTV-4895 R & F #485253 \$200 AC: 001 PRESS:	10-6-75 10-8-75 10-8-75 24 NOV 1975	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 81.3kW(Max), 34.7kW(RMS), Aur. 6.94kW(RMS) at the Sears Tower, Chicago, Ill. (41-52-44 87-38-10); type trans. to Harris BT-25/25H1; type ant. to RCA TRF-2AH(S); and HAAT 1500 ft. Atty.: McKenna, <u>Wilkinson & Kittner</u>	GRANTED	11-11-75

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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HBCT-2452 R & F #447419 \$100 AC: 001 \$100 refunded (Overpayment)	7-7-75 7-9-75 7-9-75 7-15-75	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4895) for chgs. Atty.: McKenna, <u>Wilkinson</u> & Kittner	GRANTED	11-26-75
BMPCT-7625 R & F #537187 \$100 AC: 001 PRESS:	2-24-76 3-1-76 3-1-76 4 8 JUL 1976	MP (BPCT-4877) to extend completion date. to March 8, 1977. Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	7-26-76
HRCT-21 R&F R&F PRESS	7-27-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 25 AUG 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aug. Ant.) Atty.: Robert Coll(McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Contours filed, Annual report filed Amended 9-1-76 re programming, Amended 12-7-76 re comm. policies. Amended 11-17-76 re commercial policies	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION	12-16-76

PETITION TO DENY filed 11-2-76 by Thaddeus L. Kowalski, Esq. on behalf of The Polish American Congress, Illinois Division, an Illinois Not for Profit Corporation. *filed with WMAQ-TV*

RESPONSE OF AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. filed 11-30-76 by Everett H. Erlick &

Mark D. Erlick on behalf of American Broadcasting Companies, Inc.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 12-16-76, released 1-7-77 FCC 76-1167 43403: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition to deny filed by the Polish-American Congress IS DISMISSED, and as an informal objection IS DENIED as to all three stations (WMAQ-TV, WLS-TV & WBBM-TV). IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the above-captioned license renewal application for Station WLS-TV, Chicago, Illinois, IS GRANTED for the remainder of the license term, i.e., December 1, 1979, subject to the following condition: The grant of the renewal of the license is conditioned upon whatever action, if any, the Commission might deem appropriate upon the conclusion of proceedings in which American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., is a party defendant: (1) Columbia Pictures Industries, Inc., et al. v. American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., et al. (Civil Action File No. 70 Civ. 4202, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York); (11) United States of America v. American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. (Civil Action File No. 74 Civ. 3600, United States District Court for the Central District of California); and that the licensee promptly notify the Commission of the final disposition of each case.

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BMPCT-7679 R & F Press:	1-20-77 1-21-77 FEB 24 1977	MP(BPCT-4877 as mod) to extend completion date to July 26, 1977 Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson, (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	2-28-77
BMPCT-7694 R&F: Press:	7-13-77 7-19-77 AUG 9 1977	MP(BPCT-4877 as mod) to extend completion date to February 28, 1978 Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, J Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	8-15-77
BMPCT-7725 R&F PRESS	12-20-77 12-28-77 JAN 16 1978	MP (BPCT-4877, as mod.) to extend completion date to August, 1978. Atty.: Vernon Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	st	9-11-78

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BPCT-5095 Received & Filed Z	8-5-77	CP for a Custom Built circularly polarised ant. on the Sears Bldg. to be used as an Alternate Main; and utilize former Main Ant. (RCA TEF-2AH(S) Custom) as an Auxiliary. Atty.: McKenna, <u>Wilkinson</u> & Kittner	GRANTED	I 3-20-78
	8-10-77			
BLCT-2587 Received Filed	5-31-77	Lic. to cover (BPCT-5095) for chgs. Atty.: McKenna, <u>Wilkinson</u> & Kittner	GRANTED	I 3-20-78
	6-3-77			
BPCT-790222KF R&F PRESS	8-10-77	MP(BPCT-4877 as mod.) to extend completion date to August 1979. VERNON L. WILKINSON, ATTY. (McKenna, Wilinon & Kittner)	GRANTED	4-23-79
	2-14-79			
	2-22-79			
	APR 23 1979			

Name: AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.
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Station Location: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCI 790801LB R & F PN REC'D	7-23-79 8-1-79 8-1-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (ROBERT W. COLL (MCKENNA, WILKINSON & KITTNER)	GRANTED 12-31-79
BMPCT-791002KF R&F PRESS	10-2-79	MP(BPCT-4877, as mod.) to extend completion date. Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED 4-7-80
MPCT- 800827KI R&F PRESS	8-26-80 8-27-80	MP(BPCT--4877, as mod.) to extend completion date. R. Michael Senkowski, Atty.	GRANTED 9-26-80
BMPCT-810225KH		MP (BPCT-4877, as mod) to extend completion date.	8/5-29-81

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.

