

#### Form BC-126 (PROG. TEST AUTH. 12-26-57) BEGAN 1-1-58) NDEA Comm.TV B/C June 1954 BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 4-3-59 (OFF.#467)

MIDWEST TELEVISION, INC. (BALCT-276, 9-15-65) EFF: 2-4-66) X MIDWEST TELEVISION, INC. (BALCT-114 6-15-60 EFF: 7-25-60 X WMBD, INC. Name of licensee

Transmitter location Faye Hollow Road, Groveland Township, south of Peoria, Near Peoria, Near Peoria, Near Peoria, 11-25

3131 N. University St., Peoria, IL (RC 6-21-77) Main studio location 2012 Southwest Jefferson Avenue, Peoria, Illinois

Call letters WMBD-TV Station location Peoria, Ill.

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File No.

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

#### Name PROBIA BROADGASTING CONPANY (212 Bouth Jofferson Ave., Peoria, Ill.)

#### Dated POT-668 10-25-50 ed & filed 10-27-50

#### Application for

Construction permit for new commercial ty broadcast station. Frequency: Ch. 46, (82-88 mcs) RP: Vis. 17.22 by; Aur. 8.61 by Hours of Operation: Unlimited S-Location: 212 So. Jafferson St., Peoria, Ill. T-Location: Groveland Road, 1 mi. south of Groveland, Ill. (Vis. & Anr. RCA, TT-5-A) Filed by John P. Carr, Atty.



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DOCKET 10541 SEE: CALD # 1 RE GRANT OF CH.# 31.

### A. James Ebel, Peoria, Illinois, Engr.

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Name

#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING COMMERCIAL TV B/C Call Letters N.R.W.

212 Bouth Jefferson St., Peoria, 111.)

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File No.	Dated	Application for
BPCT-668	6-9-52	(PURSUANT TO SIXTH REPORT & ORDE
Reo'd	6-11-52	Frequency: Ch. #8, (180-186 Mcs.)
Filed	6-11-52	ERP: Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw
(AMENDED)		Hours of operation: Unlimited
		S-L: 212 South Jefferson St., Peop
		T-L: 1-min South of Groveland, It
		(Vis. & Aur. Dullont Series 1
		Filed by Thomas W. Wilson,
Amended	2-5-53	Amended to consider BPCT-1503 as a
Rec'd	2-9-53	to change name of applicant from P
Filed	2-9-53	casting Company to WHED, Inc.; ant
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Reo'd Filed		12000); antenna system; trans. loca
		1 mile South of Groveland, Ill. to South of approx. center of Grovelan other equipment
		other equipment F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.

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A. James Ebel, Engr. Crewen, Lohnes and Culver, Munsey Building

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

WMBD, INC. Name (P.O. 212 S. Jefferson St., Peoria, 2, Illinois)



C.P. for a new Commercial Television Broadcast File Number cancelled station Freq.: Ch. #8, 180-186 mes. P: Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw

Application for

Hours of Operation: Unlimited S-L: 212 S. Jefferson St., Peoria, Ill. T-L: 1 mile S. of Groveland, Illinois (Vis. Dumont TA-177, Aur. Dumont TA-176)

Contingent upon grant of BAL-1490 (Filed by John Carr, Atty.)

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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### A. James Ebel, Engr.



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dimenter of the	File No. BPCT-668	Dated	Application for
	7-12-57	FCC FCRM 301 with Comm's	Engineering Specifications Subm Memo Opinion & Order adopted Jun
	& filed		No. 10541. file No. BPCT-668 TO Channel # 31, 572-578 Mcs.; ERP 380 kw, unlimited hours; Terrain Peoria, Illinois. Pierson, Ball & Dowd-attys Lohnes & Culver-engr.
	Television C LETTER 7-16-2 able action	ommany(WTVP) 8 from Andre an WMBD speci	ION FOR REHEARING filed by Andrew (against BPCT-668 Haley request Protest & Petition fications are ta ken. TEST AND PETITION FOR REHEARING, c

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### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name Feoria, Illinois				
File No. BMPCT-4912 Read & Filed		Application for Mod. of CP (BPCT-668 which aut Comm. TV b/c station) to change 661 kw., Aur. 339 kw. to Vis. 2 146 kw.; change transmitters to and other equip. changes; change antenna and ant. ht. abv. aver. 630 ft. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. Lohnes and Culver-Engrs.		
EMPCT-4952 Recd.&filed	12-6-57 12-9-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-668 as mod. whi a new Comm. TV b/c station) to c Vis. 288 kw. Aur 144 kw. to Vis. 112.2 kw.; and to make minor eq Ralph L. Walker. Atty.		
BLCT-773 Recd & Filed Amond. Redd & Filed	3-12-58	Lic. to cover CP (BPCT-668, as muthorized a new Comm. TV broaded Ralph L. Walker, Atty. Amended to also cover facilities		

BPCT-2521.

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#### **APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING**

W M B D, INC. Name Peoria, Illinois

File No. BPCT-2461 Recd & Filed

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1-17-58 1-22-58

Dated

2-4-58 2-12-58 Application for

CP to make changes in existing station - make change in transmitter location (coordinates Aur. 107 kw. to Vis. 291 kw., Aur. 146 kw.; cover this CP make change in antenna system & equipment and change antenna height above average terrain to 624 ft. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. Lohnes & Culver, Engra. Mod. of, CP (BPCT-2461) to change frequency mes.; ERP from Vis. 288 kw., Aur. 144 kw. to Vis. 290 kw., Aur. 145 kw.; make changes in antenna system & chg. ant. ht. abv. aver. terrain from 620 ft. to 626 ft. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. Lohnes & Culver, Engre.



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Name X - H M	NEST TELEVI D D, INC.	
File No.	Dated	Application for
BFCT-2541 Recd & Filed	7-24-58 8-5-58	Construction permit to make char existing station; to change ERP 228 kw, Aur. 144 kw to Vis. 678 change type of antenna and other and antenna height above average Ralph L. Walker, Att'y.
BALCT-114 Rec'd Filed	4-4-60 4-7-60 4-7-60	Voluntary assignment of license Television, Inc. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. for Assign
Letter_7=25- BRCT-467	8-28-61	Ernest W. Jennes, Atty. for Assig Walker no longer represents MER RENEWAL OF LICENSE
Recd.&Filed	9-1-61 such actio	n as the Comm. may deem appropriate

disposition of pending litigation relating to the allocation or assignment of television channels in Peoria, Illinois.

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for Midwest REPLY TO MIDWE	ST'S OPPOSI	TON filed 12-6-63 by McKenna & 1
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CT-2846 filed 10-25-63 by Kittner for

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filed 7-16-64 by McKenna and

RULING filed 8-10-64 by Covington

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	File No.	Dated	- Application for
l	BRCT-467	8-27-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE
	Recd.6Filed	9-1-64	Covington & Burling, Atty.
	BALCT-276 Rec.& filed	8-19-65 8-24-65	Voluntary assignment of licens Television, Inc. (A Delaware Co Covington & Burling-atty
	BMLCT-461 Rec. & filed	1-21-66 1-24-66	Mod. of license to reduce aural 339 kw to 135.6 kw. Covington & Burling, Atty.
	BECT-467	8-30-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE
	R & F SEP 1	9-1-67 3 1967 1 7-1-70	Ed.F.Czarra, Jr.Atty. (Covington &
	BRCT-467	8-28-70	Renewal of License
	R&F PRESS:	9-2-70 SEP 2 1 1970	Atty.: H. Goldberg (Covington &
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# NAME OF 91 FEORIA; ILLINOIS

File No. BPCT-4700 4 F 266283850 AC: 058 PRESS:	Dated 12-31-73 1-7-74 1-7-74 10N 9 5 1974	Application for CP to chg. ERP Vis. lu2ukW(H); chg. type trans. RCA TTU-60B; t TFU-24 GDA;ant. system (deer hg 635 feet. Atty: Christopher M. Little (C B
BRCTV-185 R & F #284550\$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	2-22-74 2-27-74 2-27-74 2-27-74	Request auth. to oper. trans. by from 212 SW Jefferson Avenue, Per Atty: Christopher M. Little (Con
BPCT-4700	ontinued AN	INDED 4-16-74 me to update applicat





#### INFORMAL UBJECTIONS filed 3-1-74 by Thomas Frohock on behalf of WRAU-TV MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 3-12-74 by Micholas Fels on behalf of Midwest Televisin Inc. MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 3-28-74 by Micholas W. Fels on behalf of Forward of Illinois, Inc. (only 2 filed; copy to RR & Roy Stewart 4-2-74). OPPOSITION TO INFORMAL OBJECTIONS filed 4-4-74 by Ernest Jennes on behalf of Midwest Television

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for
BLCT-2378 R & F #394774 \$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	2-14-75 2-21-75 .2-21-75 5 Arr 1975	License to cover (BPCT-4700) for Atty: Nicholas W. Fels (Covingto
BIC-8049 R & F #574099 \$10 AC: 047 PRESS:	5-28-76 5-28-76 5-28-76	Voluntary transfer of control of corporation from August C. Mayer I Trust, Clara R. Mayer Revocable Th August C. Meyer, Jr., to August C. Clara R. Meyer and August C. Meyer a Family Group). Atty.: Ernest W. Jennes (Covington
		F.C.C WARMENTON & C



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#### **APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING**

Name MIDWEST TELEVISION, INC. Ch-31 PEORIA, ILLINOIS		
File No.	Dated	Application for
BRCT-467 R&F PN RECD PRESS	7-31-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 8 5 AUG 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Robert A. Cantor (Covingt Contours filed, Anual report fil AMENDED, 10128-76 re submit supp
PN RECD PRESS	9-30-76 10-1-76 ()_for_fee 1 8 OCT 1976	Voluntary Transfer of Control from Meyer, Clara R. Meyer and August ( (as a Family Group) to August C. M Atty.: Ernest W. Jennes (Covington
BRCTV-360 R & F Press:	5-20-77	Request authority to chg. SL to 31. University Street, Peoria, Illinoid operate trans. by remote control for
	File No. File No. BRCT-467 R&F PN RECD PRESS BTC-8154 R&F See WMBD(AN PN RECD PRESS (Form 315) BRCTV-360 R & F	Eh-31 PEORIA, ILLING   File No. Dated   ERCT-467 7-31-76   R&F 8-2-76   PN RECD 8-2-76   PRESS 2 5 AUG 1976   BTC-8154 9-30-76   R&F 10-1-76   See WMED(AN)_for_fee   PN RECD 18 OCT 1976   BRCTV-360 5-13-77   BRCTV-360 5-13-77   BRCTV-360 5-13-77   BRCTV-360 5-13-77   BRCTV-360 5-13-77

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#### APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING CARD NO. 10 MIDWEST TELEVISION, INC. Name: CH-31 Station Location: PEORIA, ILLINOIS Description File No. Date BRCT-790801LH 7-31-79 RENEWAL OF LICENSE 8-1-79 GEOFFREY BENTLEY "Y 8 N REC'D {COVINGTON & BURLING} 8-1-79 PRESS 79 0 9 0 6



#### 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.

