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PROG. TEST AUTH. 8-30-60
Suspended Oper. 8-1-62 RESUMED 1-31-63
Suspended Oper. 6-14-63 PROG. TEST AUTH. 9-15-65

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-1-66 (Off. #595)

Call letters WPHL-TV (10-15-64)

Station location PHILADELPHIA, PA.
EFF; 11-27-78

- WPHL-TV, INC. (AL 11-16-78; EFF:)
 - X WPHL-TV, INC. (BALCT-426 2-16-71 EFF: 2-24-71)
 - X U. S. COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (12-24-69 EFF: 12-31-69)
- Name of licensee X U. S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC. (BMLCT-668 3-11-68)

Transmitter location East Domino Lane, 0.28 MILES NE OF UMBRIA ST. PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Main studio location ¹⁹¹¹⁸ 50 Street and Wynnefield Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 1230 East Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia, Pa. BKT-71175

PROG. TEST AUTH. 6-30-60

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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SUSPENDED OPER. AUTH. 8-1-62; RESUMED OPER. 1-31-63

WPML TV (10-15-64)

SUSPENDED OPER. AUTH. 6-14-63; PROG. TEST AUTH 9-15-65 re CP

X-WPML-TV-3-12-59

Date first licensed 8-1-66 (OFF. #595)

3-11-68

Call letters

~~WPML-TV~~

U.S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC. (BMLCT-668)

STATION LOCATION: ~~CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY~~

PTBC, INC. (BALCT-328 12-27-67 EFF: 1-23-68)

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA (BMPCT-5358

X U.S. COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (BALCT-327 12-8-67 EFF: 1-22-68)

3-9-60).

X PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION BROADCASTING CO. (PAPCT-336 5-27-64 EFF: 8-4-64)

X THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHURCH OF THE AIR, INC. (BAPCT-259, 2-25-59 EFF: 1-3-59)

Name of licensee X SOUTH JERSEY BROADCASTING COMPANY

9-23-67)

EAST DOMINO LANE, 0.28 MILE NE OF UMBRIA STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA (BPCT-3998 /

X 1300 East Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania (BMPCT-5358, 3-9-60).

Transmitter location X 2881 Mt. Ephraim Ave., Camden, New Jersey

1230 EAST MERMAID LANE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA (BPCT-3998 9-28-67)

X 1300 East Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania (BMPCT-5358, 3-9-60).

Main studio location X To be determined, Camden, New Jersey

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-	
BPCT-1522	1-28-54	Ch. # 17	V17.8kw	U	3-28-54	
		488-494mcA	9.77kw		9-28-54	
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station.						

BMPCT-2418	9-1-54	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1522) to ext. comp. date.						

BMPCT-2931	3-8-55	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. CP (BPCT-1522, as mod) to extend completion dt 9-28-55						
BMPCT-3377	9-1-55	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. CP (BPCT-1522, as mod) to extend completion dt 1-16-56						
BMPCT-3624	2-16-56	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. CP (BPCT-1522, as mod.) to extend completion dt 7-16-56						
BMPCT-4028	7-26-56	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. CP (BPCT-1522, as mod.) to extend completion dt 10-16-56						

BMPCT-4211	2-25-59	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1522, as mod) to extend completion 8-25-59						
BAPCT-259	2-25-59	Voluntary assignment of permittee corporation to the Young People's Church of the Air, Inc.				
EFF: 4-1-59						
BMPCT-5356	12-18-59	same	same	same	3-28-54	
Mod. CP (BPCT-1522, as mod) to extend completion dt. 2-15-60						
BPCT-2758	3-1-60	CH #17	V-17.8 kw	U	5-1-60	
AH: 250'		488-494	A- 9.77 kw		8-15-60	
Construction Permit to replace expired CP (BPCT-1522, as mod).						
BMPCT-5358	3-9-60	CH #17	V-12 kw	U	5-9-60	
AH: 750'		488-494	A-6.46 kw	MSL: 992'	11-9-60	
Mod. CP (BPCT-1522, as mod) to chg. the station location, ERP, TL, SL, type of antenna, ant. sys., AH.						
WIRE 6-30-60 RELETATTY 28 AND LICENSE APPLICATION						
BLCT-1048, AUTHORITY GRANTED OPERATE WPCA-TV ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORDANCE SECTION 3.629 RULES AND CONSTRUCTION PERMIT BMPCT-5358. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY: Ltr. 7-13-60 Will begin oper. on 7-16-60						
WIRE 8-1-62 REURTEL 31. AUTH. GRANTED SUSPEND OPERATIONS WPCA-TV PERIOD ENDING 11-1-62. ADVISE WHEN RESUMED.						
WIRE 10-25-62 EXTENSION AUTH. GR. SUSPEND WPCA-TV OPERATIONS PER. END. 2-1-63 ADVISE when resumed						
WIRE 1-31-63 WPCA-TV RESUMING OPERATION AT 3:58 PM						

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Date first licensed _____

Call letters WPHL-TV 10-15-64
WPCA-TV

Station location PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Name of licensee THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHURCH OF THE AIR, 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	6-14-63	NO OBJECTION WPCA-TV REMAINING SILENT			
PERIOD ENDING	9-15-63	ADVISE WHEN RESUMED			
WIRE	9-13-63	NO OBJECTION WPCA-TV REMAINING SILENT			
ADDITIONAL PER. END.	12-15-63	ADVISE			
WIRE	12-9-63	NO OBJECTION WPCA-TV REMAINING SILENT			
ADDITIONAL PERIOD ENDING	MARCH 15, 1964.				
WIRE	3-11-64	NO OBJECTION WPCA-TV REMAINING SILENT			
ADDITIONAL PER. END.	6-15-64				
WIRE	6-10-64	NO OBJECTION WPCA-TV REMAINING SILENT			
ADDITIONAL PER. END.	7-15-64				
BAPCT-336	5-27-64	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Philadelphia Television Broadcasting Co.			
EFF:	8-4-64				
WIRE	7-13-64	NO OBJECTION WPCA-TV REMAINING SILENT			
ADDITIONAL PER. END.	8-15-64				
WIRE	1-4-65	RELETATTY 29. NO OBJECTION WPHL-TV			
REMAINING SILENT	ADDITIONAL PERIOD END 4-1-65				
BPCT-3468	7-6-65	CH. 17	V-262 kw	U	9-6-65
AH: 750'		488-494	A-52.4 kw		3-6-66
P to chg. ERP; chg type of trans; chg type of ant & ant sys					
WIRE	9-15-65	RE AMENDMENT TO CLVT-1048, AUTH. GR. OPERATE			
WPHL-TV ON	PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP				
BPCT-3468.	ADVISE COMMENCEMENT.				
WIRE	9-17-65	REURLETS 8-27- AND 9-13-65. AUTH. GRANTED			
OPER. WPHL-TV BY	REMOTE CONTROL AS DESCRIBED IN REF. LETTER				
AND IN ACCORD.	SEC. 73.636 RULES, INCLUDING SUBPARAGRAPHS				
73.636(a)(4) AND (b)					
BPCT-3627	10-20-65	CH. #17	V-436 kw	U	12-20-65
AH: 750'	MSL:1002'	488-494	A-87.1 kw		6-20-66
Construction Permit to change ERP, type of trans. & equip.					
WIRE	7-19-66	PENDING FIL. LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER			
WPHL-TV TEMP. PER.	END 8-19-66	ACCORD BMPCT-6275. ADVISE			
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when OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY.					7-27-66
WIRE	8-19-66	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLICATION, AUTH.			
GR. OPER. WPHL-TV ON	PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629				
RULES AND	CONSTRUCTION PERMIT BMPCT-6275.				

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Card #3

Date first licensed _____

Call letters WPIL-TV

Station location Philadelphia, Pa.

Name of licensee PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION BROADCASTING CO.

Transmitter location See Card #1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BMPCT-6279	5-19-66	Same	Same	Same	9-6-65 11-19-66
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3267) to change type of Transmitter to RCA ITU-500.					
BLCT-1048	8-1-66	CH. 17 488-494		U	8-1-66 8-1-69
Lic. NOT ISSUED - SEE BLCT-1602					
BLCT-1602	6-30-67	CH. 17 488-494	V-436 kw A-87.1 kw	U	6-30-67 8-1-69
Lic. to cover CP (BPCT-3627)					
BPCT-3998	9-28-67	CH. 17 488-494	V-407 kw A-61.7 kw	U	11-28-67 5-28-68
Construction Permit to change ERP, TL, antenna system, AH.					
WIRE 10-31-67 REMOTE CONTROL AUTHORIZED FOR NEW WPHL-TV FACILITIES SPECIFIED IN CP BPCT-3998 IN ACCORD. WITH YOUR LETTER DATED 7-7-67 AND SEC. 73.676 RULES.					
BALCT-327	12-8-67	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO U.S. COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION. EFF: 1-22-68			
BALCT-328	12-27-67	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO PTBC, INC. EFF: 1-23-68			
BMLCT-668	3-11-68	same	same	same	3-11-68 8-1-69
Mod. of License to change name to. U.S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC.					
BMPCT-6702	3-18-68	CH. 17 488-494	V-2400 kw A- 355 kw	U	11-28-67 9-28-68
Mod. of CP (BPCT-3998) to chg. ERP, type trans.; type of antenna, decrease AH.					
WIRE 4-11-68 AUTH. GR. WPHL-TV INSTALL RCA MI-19086-F-17 FILTERPLEXER AND OPERATE AT REDUCED POWER FROM PRESENTLY LICENSED SITE TEMP. PERIOD END. 5-15-68 PURPOSE FACILITATING MOVE TO NEW TRANSMITTER SITE.					
BMPCT-6795	4-30-68	Ch. 17 488-494	V-2450 kw A-368 kw	U	9-18-68
MP (BPCT-3998, as mod) Chg. ERP, type of antenna.					
WIRE 5-3-68 PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERATE WPHL-TV TEMP. PER. END. 5-25-68 IN ACCORD. WITH BMPCT-6702. THIS ACTION NOT PREJUDGEMENT OF FUTURE COMM. ACTION ON REQUEST FOR PROGRAM TEST AUTH. WHICH WILL BE GR. ONLY UPON COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITION 1 OF CP.					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WPHL-TV

Station location

Name of licensee U.S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #2

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
WIRE AUTH. GR. ACCORD. WITH BMPCT-6702 & COMM. WIRE 5-3-68	5-24-68	PEND. FILING LICENSE APPL. EXTEN. OPERATE WPHL-TV TEMP. PERIOD END. 8-25-68			
WIRE & EXPIRING 8-25-68 ACCORD. BMPCT-6795 AND COMMISSION WIRE OF 5-3-68	5-29-68	EXTEN. OPERATING AUTH. GR. 3-24-68 HEREBY MODIFIED TO PERMIT OPERATION			
WIRE PERIOD END. 11-25-68 5-3-68	8-19-68	EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. WPHL-TV TEMP. ACCORD. BMPCT-6795 & COMM. WIRE OF			
WIRE PERIOD END 2-25-69 5-3-68	11-20-68	EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. WPHL-TV TEMP. ACCORD. BMPCT-6795 AND COMM. WIRE OF			
WIRE	2-14-69	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 3-25-69			
WIRE END. 8-25-69 BRC-595	5-20-69	EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. ACCORD BMPCT-6795 AND COMM. WIRE OF 5-3-68.			
WIRE	7-24-69	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-72
WIRE	8-25-69	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 11-25-69			
WIRE OPER. ON ETA SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPCT-6795 BLCT-1787 AH:1080' MSL:1369' 488-494mos Lic. (BPCT-3998, as mod.) for chgs.	10-2-69	RE LIC. APPLI. BLCT-1787 AUTH. GR.			
BLCT-1787	10-23-69	Ch-17 V-2450kw Unl.			8-1-72
BLCT-397	12-24-69	VOL. A/L			
BTC-6527	3-19-71	Vol. T/C			
BRC-TV-23	4-26-72	OPERATE REMOTE CONTROL			
EBSA	5-15-72				
WIRE OPER. AT REDUCED POWER WITH GRIFFITH ANT. SIDEMOUNTED ON EXISTING TOWER TEMP. PER. END. 7-26-72	6-27-72	PENDING MAIN ANT. REPAIRS AUTH. GR.			
Wire BRC-595 AH:1080' MSL:1369'	4-11-73	Above auth. extended to 5-10-73			
Renewal of License	5-15-75	Ch-17 V-2450kw Unl.			5-15-75
BRC-595	7-23-75	488-494 A-363kW RC			8-1-75
Renewal of License	7-23-75	Renewal of lic.			8-1-78
AH:1080' MSL:1369'		488-494 V-2450kW Unl. A-363kW RC			

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Card no. 5

Comm. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WPHL-TV

Station location Philadelphia, Penna.

Name of licensee WPHL-TV, 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
BRCTV-275 (1)	7-11-75	Remote control authority			
WIRE	1-28-77	Auth. grted temp oper. at 50% power into either main ant. or aux. griffith ant. to permit repair to main ant. This auth. exp. 4-21-77.			
WIRE	4-27-77	Pend. Commission action on application for CP, BPCT-5023, auth. grtd. replace damaged antenna with RCA TFW-25.6 antenna and operate WPHL-TV strict accord. BPCT-5023 temp., period end. 7-25-77. Obstruction marking and lighting specifications in accord. with para. 1,3,8, 17 and 21 of FCC Form 715. This auth. subject to the filing of a written request by licensee.			
BPCT-5023 AH: 1050' MSL: 1212.6' CP to chg. ERP, ant and HAAT	6-20-77	Ch. 17	V. 1290 kW U		8-20-77 12-20-78
BLCT-2611 AH: 1050'	10-30-79	Lic. (BPCT-5023) for chg. 488-494 Unl			8-1-81 ch-17

FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call WPCA-TV 3-12-59
Letters ~~NEW JERSEY~~

Name SOUTH JERSEY BROADCASTING COMPANY

~~(PO 2881 Mt. Ephraim Avenue, Camden, New Jersey)~~~~PO 730 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania PS DAS 02-299, 6-25-59~~

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BPCT-1522	9-26-52	Construction permit for a new Comm. TV Station	GRANTED	2-28-54
Rec'd.	9-26-52	Freq: Channel # 17 488-494 Mcs.		
Filed	9-26-52	ERP: Vis. 112 kw, Aur. 67 kw Unlimited hours of operation S-L- 2881 Mt. Ephraim Avenue, Camden, New Jersey T-L- Camden, New Jersey 2881 Mt. Ephraim Ave., (Vis. & Aur. 112 kw) (257) Vernon L. Wilkinson- attorney		
AMENDED	8-13-53	Amended to change ERP from Vis 112 kw, Aur. 67 kw to Vis. 102.7 kw, Aur. 55.5 kw; and studio location from 2881 Mt. Ephraim Ave., Camden, New Jersey to To be determined, Camden, New Jersey	Order Doc. 10657)	
Rec'd	8-13-53			
Filed	8-13-53			
AMENDED	8-19-53	Amended to change ERP, Aur. from 55.5kw to		
Rec'd.	8-20-53	Aur. 55.4 kw		
Filed	8-20-53	Vernon L. Wilkinson- Atty		

A. D. Ring, Engr.

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Call Letters NEW- WJLN-TV

NAME SOUTH JERSEY BROADCASTING COMPANY
(P.O. ~~2000 Mt. Ephraim Avenue, Camden, New Jersey~~)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EPCT-1522 AMENDED Rec'd Filed	9-12-53 9-14-53 10-6-53	Amended to change ERP from Vis. 102.7 kw, Aur. 55.4 kw to Vis. 18 kw, Aur. 9.7 kw; antenna height above average terrain from 257' to 254'; type antenna; and type trans. (RCA TTU-1B)	See Action Card #1	
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	11-3-53 11-4-53 11-30-53	Amended Articles Of Incorporation; change stockholders. Vern L. Wilkinsons- Atty	GRANTED Order of Denial No. 20657	
EPCT-2418 Rec'd Filed	8-13-54 8-13-54	Mod. of CP (EPCT-1522, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 9-28-54 to March, 1955. Filed Vernon L. Wilkinsons, Atty.	GRANTED	9-1-54

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call
Letters VIEW-TVName SOUTH JERSEY BROADCASTING COMPANYCamden, New Jersey

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-2931 Rec'd Filed	2-18-55 2-24-55 2-24-55	Modification of construction permit (BPCT-1522, as modified, which authorized a new Commercial TV broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 3-28-55 to Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	3-8-55
BPCT-3377 Rec'd & filed Ext. #3	8-24-55 8-26-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1522, as modified, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) for extension of completion date from 9-28-55 to March, 1956. Filed by V L Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	9-1-55
BPCT-3624 Rec'd & Filed Ext. #4	12-13-55 12-16-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1522, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 1-16-56 to 7-16-56. Filed by Leonidas P. B. Emerson, Atty.	GRANTED	2-16-56

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THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHURCH OF THE AIR, INC. 2-25-59

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Name X SOUTH JERSEY BROADCASTING COMPANY

(Camden, New Jersey)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAPCT-4028 Recd & Filed Ext. #5	6-11-56 6-16-56	Mod. of CP (BAPCT-1522, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 7-16-56 to 1-16-57. Filed by: Joseph M. Kittner, Atty.	GRANTED	7-26-56
BAPCT-4231 Recd. & filed Ext. #6	9-12-56 9-17-56	Mod. of CP (BAPCT-1522, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 10-16-56 to ____. Filed by Joseph M. Kittner, Atty.	GRANTED	2-25-59 Comm. action with BAPCT-259
BAPCT-259 Rec. & filed	10-31-58 11-3-58	Voluntary assignment of permittee corporation to The Young People's Church of the Air, Inc. Frank Stollenwerck-atty for assignee McKenna & Wilkinson atty for assignor	GRANTED	2-25-59 EFF: 4-3-59
BAPCT-5356 Recd. & Filed	7-22-59 7-24-59	Mod. of CP (BAPCT-1522, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 8-25-59 to 2-15-60. Frank Stollenwerck, Atty.	GRANTED	12-18-59

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Name THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHURCH OF THE AIR, INC.
Camden, New Jersey

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BNPCT-5358 Rec. & filed	7-22-59	Modification of CP (BPCT-1522, as modified, which authorized a new station) to change the STATION LOCATION from Camden, New Jersey TO Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; ERP from Vis. 17.8 kw, Aur. 9.77 kw TO Vis. 11.94 kw, Aur. 6.446 kw; change transmitter location from 2831 Mt. Ephraim Avenue, Camden, New Jersey, and studio location from To to be determined, Camden, New Jersey BOTH to 1300 East Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania; type of antenna to RCA TFU-21-DL; make changes in antenna structure and equipment and change antenna height above average terrain to 751-feet. (REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTIONS 3.613(a) and 3.685(a) OF COMMISSION RULES) Frank Stollenwerck-atty Everett L. Dillard-engr.	granted	3-9-60
	7-24-59			
AMENDED Rec. & filed	10-27-59 11-2-59	Amended to change antenna height above average terrain TO 749 feet.		

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PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION BROADCASTING CO.

Letters ~~WPGA-TV~~

Name X THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHURCH OF THE AIR, INC.

~~Camden, New Jersey~~ Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (3-9-60)

Lt. 7-12-60.

P.O. c/o Radio Station WPCA, 1230 E. Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia 18, Pa.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-2758 Recd. & filed	2-24-60 2-25-60	Construction Permit to replace expired CP (BPCT-1522, as mod) which authorized a new Commercial TV Broadcast Station. Direct.	GRANTED	3-1-60
BLCT-1048 Recd. & filed	6-27-60 6-28-60	License to cover CP (BPCT-2758, as modified, replacement for BPCT-1522 as mod.) which auth. a new station::: Sam Miller-atty Gettone and Fanelli now attorneys.	Granted NOT ISSUED BLCT-1602	8-1-66 see
SEE AMENDMENT on card #7				
BAPCT-336 Rec. & filed	6-12-63 6-13-63	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Philadelphia Television Broadcasting Co. (REQUESTS WAIVER OF SEC. 1.365 of the Comm's RULES) BEN C. OTTONE-atty for assignee SAM MILLER, Atty. for assignor	GRANTED EFF: 8-4-64	5-27-64
AMENDED Rec. & filed	7-19-63 7-23-63	Amended to make change in stockholdings of proposed assignee.		

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Letters WPHL-TVName PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION BROADCASTING CO.CH. 17 PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3468 Recd. & Filed	11-20-64 11-23-64	Construction Permit to change ERP from Vis. 12 kw, Aur. 6.46 kw TO Vis. 261.52 kw (HORZ), Aur. 52.36 kw (HORZ); change type of transmitter to RCA TTU-30A; change type of antenna to RCA TFU-30J; and make changes in antenna structure. Benedict P. Cottons, Atty. A. D. Ping & Associates, Engr.	GRANTED	7-6-65
AMENDED BLCT-1048 BLCT-1048 R & F	9-13 -65 9-14-65	continued from card 76 Amended to also cover facilities authorized in BPCT-3468; change name to Philadelphia Television Broadcasting Co. and redescribe Transmitter and Studio locations as 1230 East Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Ben Cottone-atty		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WKMG-TV

NAME PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION BROADCASTING CO.
CH. 17 PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-3627 Recd. & Filed	9-14-65 9-16-65	Construction Permit to change ERP from Vis. 262 kw, Aur. 52.4 kw to Vis. 440 kw (Horz), Aur. 88 kw (Horz); change type of transmitter from RCA TTU-30A to RCA TTU-50B and make other equipment changes. COTTONE AND FANELLI, ATTY.	GRANTED	10-20-65 Subject to compliance with Section 73.640 of Rules
BPCT-6275 R & F	4-23-66 4-26-66	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3627, which authorized changes in existing station) to change type of transmitter to RCA TTU-50C. Cottone & Fanelli, Atty.	GRANTED	5-19-66
BLCT-1602 R & F	8-10-66 8-18-66	License to cover CP (BPCT-3627, as mod.) which authorized changes in existing station. Cottone & Fanelli, Atty.	GRANTED	6-30-67

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PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION BROADCASTING CO.

City Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRUC-3998 R & F	6-1-67 6-19-67	Construction Permit to make the following changes in an existing station: Visual RFP to 410.3 kv (Hertz); transmitter location to East Dome Lane, Philadelphia, Pa.; antenna structure; antenna system; and increase antenna height above average terrain to 1114 feet. Cottone & Fenelli, Atty. (Benedict F. Cottone) A. D. Ring & Assoc., Engr.	GRANTED (CONDITIONS SEE BACK OF THIS CARD.)	9-28-67
BRUC-327 R & F	6-23-67 6-30-67	Voluntary assignment of license to U.S. Communications Corporation. Benedict Cottone, Esq.	NI EFT: 1-22-68 GRANTED	12-8-67
BRUC-328 R & F (Form 316)	6-28-67 6-30-67	Voluntary assignment of license from U.S. Communications Corporation to PTBC, INC (Contingent on above assignment) Pierson, Bell & Dowd, Esq.	NI GRANTED EFT: 1-23-68	12-27-67

CONDITION**BPCT-3998 WPHL-TV**

Subject to the condition that before test (program) authority

is issued, sufficient field intensity measurements, as hereinafter described, shall be made **IN THE PRESENCE OF WRCP REPRESENTATIVES** before and after construction of the TV antenna structure specified herein, to assure that the directional pattern of station **W R C P** remains the same as it was before the erection of the TV structure. The required measurements shall be a minimum of ten (10) in number for each radial, shall be on the same radials and at consecutive points used in connection with the original proof of performance of station **WRCP**. Analysis of the data shall be in accordance with Section 73.186 of the Commission's Rules. Measurements shall be made for both directional and non-directional modes of operation and shall be tabulated and ratioed **DA/ND**. All measurements taken shall be co-certified by both parties to this condition.

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U. S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC.

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NAME U. S. COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BPCT-6702 R & F	12-12-67 12-13-67	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3998, which authorized changes in an existing station) to make the following changes: ERP Vis. 2376 kw (HORZ); Aur. 356.2 kw (HORZ); type of transmitter to RCA TTU-110-A; type of antenna to RCA TFU-40K; antenna height to decrease antenna height above average terrain to 1080 feet and correct the seconds of the geographical coordinates. Benedict P. Cottone, Atty. (Cottone, & Panelli)	GRANTED PREVIOUS CONDITIONS STILL OBTAINS. SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 73.640 OF RULES.	3-18-68
AMENDED R & F	1-2-68 1-5-68	AMENDED to change name to Philadelphia Television Broadcasting Company		
AMENDED R & F	3-15-68 3-18-68	AMENDED to change name to U. S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC.		
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U.S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC. (3-11-68)

Name PTBC, INC.

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

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BMLCT-668 R & F MAR	2-23-68 2-27-68 MAR 1968	Mod. of License to change name to U.S. COMMUNICATIONS OF PHILADELPHIA, INC. William S. Green, Atty. (PIERSON, BALL & DOND)	GRANTED	3-11-68
Ltr. 3-8-68 Covington & Burling		(Charles A. Miller) now represents WPHL-TV		
BPCT-6795 R & F PRESS	4-10-68 4-12-68 APR 19 1968	MP (BPCT-3998, as mod) to change PEP to Vio. 2450 kw (HORZ); Aur. 368 kw (HORZ); and specify type of antenna as RCA TPU-66K. Jonathan D. Blake, Esq. (Covington & Burling)	\$30.00 #420576 GRANTED PREVIOUS CONDITIONS STILL OBTAINS	4-12-68 4-30-68
BLCT-1787 R & F Press	5-10-68 5-16-68 MAY 22 1968	LICENSE (BPCT-3998, as mod) for changes. Jonathan D. Blake, Atty.	\$30. #429031 GRANTED	5-16-68 10-29-69
BRCT-595 R & F \$150 #511704 PRESS PH Recd.	4-29-69 5-5-69 MAY 13 1969 5-5-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Jonathan D. Blake, Atty. (Covington & Burling) Ltr. from atty. 5-20-69 submitting additional information, re engr. data. AMENDED 5227-69 re staffing. AMENDED 7-2--69 re financial a.c.	GRANTED	7-24-69

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U. S. COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION -
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Name
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BALCT-397 Rec & Filed \$30 #565198 EN RECD PRESS Engr. da. filed	12-22-69 12-22-69 12-22-69 DEC 29 1969 6-26-70	Voluntary assignment of license to U.S. Communications Corporation. Covington & Burling, Atty. (Jonathan D. Blake)	GRANTED EFF:	12-24-69 12-31-69
BALCT-426 R & F #662550 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS:	2-3-71 2-3-71 2-3-71 FEB 11 1971	Voluntary assignment of license to WPHL-TV, Inc. Atty.: JJFreeman (Pierson, Ball)	GRANTED EFF:	2-16-71 2-24-71
ZEC-6527 R & F #670608 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS:	3-9-71 3-10-71 3-10-71	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from U. S. Communications Corporation to A.V.C. Corporation. Atty.: JJFreeman (Pierson, Ball) AMENDED 3-11-71 to submit Transferee's Balance Sheet.	GRANTED EFF:	3-19-71 3-22-71

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCTV-23 R & F #005938 \$50 AC: 069 PRESS	9-16-71 9-21-71 9-21-71 SEP 29 1971	Mod. of lic. to oper. trans. by remote control from 1230 East Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Atty.: Jonathan D. Blake (Covington & Burling) AMENDED 4-14-72 to submit updated application.	GRANTED	4-26-72
BRCT-595 R & F PN REC PRESS	5-2-72 5-3-72 5-3-72 MAY 8 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Jonathan D. Blake (Covington & Burling) Amended 6-16-72 re Sec. VI. Amended 9-7-82 re Sec. VI. Amended 3-19-73 re business business interest AMENDED 9-21-73 re programming	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION	5-15-75

PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed 7-3-72 by Matthew D. Clayton for Communications Coalition.

PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES RULES filed 7-3-72 by Chairman of Communications Coalition, Congress of African People, et al

OPPOSITION TO PETITIONS filed 7-18-72 by Charles A. Miller (Covington & Burling) for WPHL-TV against petition to prevent continued violation etc.

AFFIDAVIT of Richard L. Traylor filed 7-20-72 (Communications Coalition)

MOTION FOR EXT. OF TIME TO FILE REPLY filed 7-25-72 by Communications Coalition

MOTION FOR EXT. OF TIME TO FILE REPLY filed 7-26-72 by Communications Coalition.

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 8-21-72 by Communications Coalition.

WPHL-TV'S OPPOSITION TO SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY RULES filed 6-5-74 by Charles Miller on behalf of WPHL-TV'S INC.

SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO PREVENT, CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES RULES filed 5-21-74 by Edward Hayes, Jr. on behalf of Chairman of Communication Coalition and Congress of African People

OPPOSITION TO MOTIONS TO STRIKE AND REPLY TO OPPOSITIONS TO PETITIONERS' SUPPLEMENT TO THEIR PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES RULES filed 6-12-74 by Janet C. Whitaker, et al., Petitioners.

SUPPLEMENT TO OPPOSITION TO MOTIONS TO STRIKE AND REPLY TO OPPOSITIONS TO PETITIONERS'

SUPPLEMENT TO THEIR PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSION'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES RULES filed 6-25-74 by Janet C. Whitaker, et al., Petitioners.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-595 CONTINUED				
		MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 4-30-75, released 5-16-75 FCC 75-509 34839:		
		28. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the "Petition to Prevent Continued Violation of Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity Rules" filed July 3, 1972, by Janet C. Whittaker, individually and as Chairperson of Communications Coalition IS GRANTED to the extent indicated above and DENIED in all remaining aspects. 29. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the various motions to strike portions of petitioners' reply pleading are DENIED; and that the various motions to strike petitioners' May 21, 1974 "Supplement" ARE GRANTED.		
		MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 5-15-75, released 5-23-75 FCC 75-567 35209: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, that the Petition to Deny filed by Communications Coalition, et al. IS DENIED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the license renewal application of WPHL-TV, Inc. for WPHL-TV IS GRANTED.		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRCT-595	3-25-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE APPLICATION	GRANTED	
R & F	4-1-75	Annual Report Filed		
PN Rec'd:	4-1-75	Atty: Donald Harrison (Covington & Burling)	GRANTED	7-23-75 ✓
PRESS:	2 MAY 1975			
BRCTV-275	5-5-75	Request authority to change studio location to 50th Street and Wynnfield Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.	GRANTED	7-11-75
Rec.	5-6-75			
Filed	5-21-75			
#428994 \$150.	5-21-75			
AC 070				
PRESS:	4 JUL 1975	Covington & Burling, Donald Harrison, Atty.		
BRCT-5023	R&F 3-7-77	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 2340kW(Max), Aur. 250kW(Max); chg. type ant. to RCA TFD-25G (BT); and HAAT 1050 ft.	GRANTED	6-20-77 L-278
R&F	3-9-77			
PRESS	MAR 23 1977			
		Atty.: Paul Berman (Covington & Burling)		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRCT595 R&F FN RECD PRESS	3-29-78 3-30-78 3-30-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Johnathan Blake Mr Contours filed; See BPCT-5023 4-12-78	GRANTED	11-16-78
APR 13 1978				
BALCT- 780717IA R&F FN RECD PRESS (Form 314)	7-14-78 7-17-78 7-17-78 8-18-78	Voluntary assignment of license to WPHL-TV, Inc. Attys.: Assignor-Jonathan D. Blake (Covington & Burling) Assignee-Alan C. Campbell (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson) Amended 9-18-78 re articles of incorporation Amended 9-29-78 re legal	GRANTED EFF:	11-16-78 11-27-78
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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION
APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WPHL-TV

Name: WPHL-TV, INC.
CH-17

Station Location: PHILADELPHIA, PA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLCT-2611 R & F PRESS: PTA	3-6-78 3-7-78 10-3-79 3-27-79	Lic. to cover (BPCT-5023) for chgs. Atty.: Paul J. Berman (Covington & Burling)	GR. 10-30-79
		ATTY: ALAN CAMPBELL (DOW, LOHNES AND ALBERTSON) AS OF 7/25/80.	

CARD NO. 18

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING
COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters: WPHL-TV

Name: WPHL-TV, INC.
CH-17

Station Location: PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCT-810401KV R&F PN REC'D	3-23-81 4-1-81 4-1-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE {DOW, LOHMEYER AND ALBERTSON} NOEL C.R. GUNTHER, ATTY.	7-7-81 GRANTED 7-7-81

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.

