

CARD NO. 1 BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION



First licensed

Coll Letters WILW (2-23-81)

Station Location LIMA - OHIO

Neme AMERICAN CHRISTIAN TELEVISION SERVICES, INC.

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Form BC-126 December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires	
BPCT-5002	11-25-8	D CH-444 Un14	5-25-82	
AH: 730' 650-	SHE V.	D CH-444 Unla 372 KW4 A. 37.2KW AL TELEVISION STAT		
BTCCT-801222KE	12-31-80	VOL. TC.	ON:	
		CALL LETTERS & EBSA		
BPCT-5002	2-23-61	CALL LETTERS & EDSA		
		Form BC-12	(Beck)	

Form BC-121 May 1976

APPLICATION REGORD - BROADCASTING

Call WTLW Letters (NEW)

AMERICAN CHRISTIAN TELEVISION SERVICES, INC.

Name I ASSOCIATED CHRISTIAN BROADCASTERS INC.

ATT I EGNE LIMA, OHIO (E 1844 Baty Road, Lima, Ohio 45807 Action Application for Nature File No. Dated Date 1-17-77 CP for new TV on: Freq.: Ch-44, 650-656MHz GRABERD BFCT-5002 ERP: Vis. 436.52kW(Max) 375.83kW(H), R&F Aur. 37.58kW(H) HAAT: 471.75 ft. FEB 2 4 1977 PRESS: 2-25-77 TL: 1380 Neubrecht Rd., Lima, Ohio PN REC'D: 25 NOV 1980 (40-46-01 84-04-33) SL: Same as TL Trans.: GE TT-59-A Ant.: Harris TAH-20U (BT MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTIONS 73.610, 73.613 AND 73.636 OF THE RULES. Atty.: Fisher, Wayland, Southmayd and Cooper Engr.: Carl E. Smith (Cleveland)
Amended 5-20-77 re additional information. Amended 8-23-78 re financial, programming etc. Amended 7-15-80 re legal-chg. name AMENDED 10-28-80 re request for waiver of sec. 73.613 (main SL) Amended 1-19-81 re legal P.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. 106 to Bordon 11-21-80

Notice adopted 6-7-78, released 6-8-76 establishing 7-24-78 as the date by which smendments and pleadings may be filed.

JOINT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT, DISMISSAL OF APPLICATION AND GRANT OF REMAINING APPLICATION filed 11-7-78 by Comprover Cooper for Associated and Peter Shuebruk for Strang

BPCT-5002 Getd. 11-25-80 - condition:

Within 30 days of the date of grant, American Christian Television Services, Inc. shall file with the Commission an appropriate application for Commissionsconsent to the transfer of control of American Christian Television Services, Inc., and within 15 days after grant of that application, shall certify to the Commission that no officer, director or principal of American Christian Television Services, Inc. has any interest in, or connection with, Associated Christian Broadcasters, Inc. or Station WTCN(FM), Lima, Ohio.

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Name: AMERICAN CHRISTIAN TELEVISION SERVICES, INC.

Station Location: LIMA, OHIO

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTCCT-801222KE (Form 316)		Vol. Transfer of control of permittee corporation from Ronald Mighell, Stanley Tam, Virgil Mousa, & Andrea King to Ronald Mighell, Andrea King & Larry Sheets.	GR. 12-31-80 EFF: 1/21/81

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.

