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CARD #1
Form BC 126
June 1954

First CO: 10-8-53 started 11-12-53

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

MDEA

Date first licensed 11-13-57 (Off. #393)

Call letters WTAP-TV(10-18-59)

Station location PARKERSBURG, W. VA.
ID: Parkersburg, W. Va. and Marietta,
Ohio

HENEDEK BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL 11-7-79; Eff: 12/14/79)

Name of licensee X PMA COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (BALCT-552 Eff: 11-15-74 EFF:
XXX BROADCASTING SERVICES, INC. (BALCT-359 11-2-67 EFF: 12-21-67)

Transmitter location Dole's Knob, Nr. Constitution, Ohio

Main studio location 121 West Seventh St., Parkersburg, W. Va.

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CARD #1

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMMERCIAL TV B/C

FIRST C. O. 10-8-53 (Started 11-12-53, per Atty.)

WTAP-TV EFF: 10-18-59

Date first licensed 11-13-57 (Official No. 393)

Call letters WTAP

STATION LOCATION: PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA
(Waiver 3.652(a) gr. 4-29-59 station identification: Parkersburg, W. Va. - Marietta, Ohio)

X W/V, INC. (6-16-66 EFF: 6-30-66)

X THE ZANESVILLE PUBLISHING COMPANY (BAPOT-147 gr. 3-30-55 Eff: 4-12-55)

Name of licensee WEST VIRGINIA ENTERPRISES, INC.

Transmitter location Dole's Knob, Nr. Constitution, Ohio

Main studio location 121 West Seventh St., Parkersburg, W. Va. (BMPCT-1400 Gr. 10-6-53)
"To be determined", Parkersburg, West Virginia

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

*Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPCT-1295	2-11-53	Ch. #15,	V-19 kw	U	4-11-53
		476-482	A-10 kw		10-11-53
		nos			
Construction permit for a new Commercial TV B/C Station.					
BTC-1505	7-15-53	Vol. relinquishment of positive control			
EFF:	8-10-53	(100%) of permittee corporation, by the			
		Baer family through the transfer of sub-			
		scription rights to 431 shares (57.47%)			
		voting stock to Theodore A. Eiland,			
		Howard L. Chernoff, Melva G. Chernoff			
		and Lydia Busek.			
BMPCT-1400	10-6-53	same	V. 19.5 kw	U	4-11-53
BMPCT-1440			A. 10.5 kw		4-1-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-1295) to change ERP, change S-L, antenna sys. and make other equipment changes, & extend completion date.					
WIRE	10-8-53	STA commence test pattern & oper. comm.			
basis accord. CP BMPCT-1400, ant. obst. mark. spec. para. 1, 3, 12, 21 & 22 FCC Form 715. Period ending April 1, 1954.					
BMPCT-1949	3-15-54	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod CP (BPCT-1295, as mod) to extend completion dt 10-1-54					
4-1-54 EXT STA Opr. Comm basis accordance CP BMPCT-1949					
except without frequency & mod. monitoring equipment &					
RF Load & Watt meter. Period Ending 10-1-54					
BMPCT-2455	9-7-54	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1295, as mod.) to ext. comp. date. 4-1-55					
Wire	9-8-54	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-2455			
except without frequency & Modulation monitoring equipment					
Authorization expires 4-1-55.					
BMPCT-2962	3-18-55	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. of CP (BPCT-1295, as mod.) to ext. comp. date. 10-1-55					
BMPCT-147	3-20-55	Voluntary assignment of CP from West			
EFF:	4-12-55	Virginia Enterprises, Inc. to The			
Zanesville Publishing Company.					
WIRE	3-21-55	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-			
2962 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 10-1-55.					
BMPCT-3489	9-28-55	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1295, as mod.) to extend completion dt 4-1-56					

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-13-57 (Official No. 393)

WTAP-TV EF:10-18-59

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Name of licensee THE ZANESVILLE PUBLISHING COMPANY

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEE CARD #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
WIRE	10-18-55	STA Opr.	Comm. basis accord.	CP BMPCT-34	
39 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 4-1-56.					
BMPCT-3790	3-2-56	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1295, as mod) to extend completion date 10-1-56					
WIRE	3-5-56	Pending filing of lic. appl., ext. auth. granted to operate temp. for per. ending 10-1-56 Comm. Basis accord. CP (BMPCT-3790).			
BMPCT-4178	9-11-56	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1295, as mod) to extend completion dt 3-1-57					
WIRE	9-12-56	Pending filing of Lic. Appl., Ext. auth. gr. Opr. WTAP-TV Temp. Per. End. 3-1-57. Comm. basis accord.			
CP BMPCT-4178					
BMPCT-4525	2-12-57	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1295 as mod.) to extend compl. date 6-1-57					
WIRE	2-25-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD. MPCT-4525 to 6-1-57			
BMPCT-4665	5-7-57	same	same	same	4-11-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1295, as mod) to extend completion date 9-1-57					
WIRE	5-8-57	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. EXT. AUTH. OPR. COMM. BASIS ACCORD. MPCT-4665 to 9-1-57			
WIRE	8-28-57	PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED MPCT-4665			
BLCT-705	11-13-57	CH. #15	V-19.5kw	U	11-13-57
AH 570'		476-482	A-10.5kw		10-1-60
License to cover CP (BMPCT-1295, as modified)					
COMM. ACTION 4-29-59 WAIVER OF §. 652(a) OF RULES GRANTED FOR STATION IDENTIFICATION AS PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA-MARIETTA, OHIO.					
BTC-3417	4-22-60	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of permittee corporation by Clay Littick thru sale of unissued stock to Arthur S. Littick. EFF: 5-4-60			
BRCT-393	9-14-60	same	same	same	10-1-60
RENEWAL OF LICENSE 10-1-63					
BRCT-393	10-15-63	CH. #15	V-19.5 kw	U	10-15-63
AH: 570'		476-482	A-10.5 kw		10-1-66
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-393	10-15-63	CH. 15	V. 19.5 kw	U	10-15-63
AH: 570'		476-482	A. 10.5 kw		10-1-66
SUPERSEDED LETTER 12-10-64 to correct geo. coordinates.					

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COMM. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-13-57 (Official No. 393)

Call letters WTAP-TV EF:10-18-59
WTAP

Station location _____

Name of licensee THE ZANESVILLE PUBLISHING COMPANY

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEE CARD # 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BALCT-308	6-16-66	Vol. assignment of license to T/R, Inc. Eff: 6-30-66			
BMLCT-394	1-12-66	same	same	same	10-15-63 10-1-66
Mod. of Lic to reduce Aural ERP					
BRCT-393	9-1-66	CH. 15 476-482	V-19.5 A-3.89	same	10-1-66 10-1-69
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
WIRE 2-3-67 PENDING FILING AND ACTION ON FCC FORM 301 AUTH. GR. WTAP-TV MODIFY AURAL TRANSMITTER AND OPERATE WITH AURAL TRANS.MITTER OUTPUT POWER OF 200 WATTS TEMP. PER. END. 3-18-67.					
BMLCT-645	2-16-67	SAME	SAME	SAME	2-16-67 10-1-69
Mod. of 11b. to change type of transmitter.					
BALCT-339	12-21-67	WTAP-TV VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO BROADCASTING SERVICES, INC. EFF: 12-21-67			
WIRE 9-30-68 PEND. REPAIRS AUTH. GR. OPER. WTAP-TV TEMP. PERIOD END. 11-24-68 WITH DAMAGED ANT. ACCORD. YOUR LTR. ADVISE WHEN REPAIRS COMPLETED.					
WIRE 2-26-69 EXT. OF ABOVE AUTH. FOR PERIOD END. 5-24-69.					
BPCT-4193	6-2-69	CH. 15 476-482	V-16.5 kw A- 3.3 kw	U	8-2-69 2-2-70
AH: 620' MSL: 1399' CP to change ERP; type antenna; struc. incr. AH. correct coord.					
WIRE 8-25--69 PENDING COMPLETION CONSTRUCTION ACCORD BPCT-4193 AND FILING LIC. APPLI. EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. EDD. 11-25-69 WITH DAMAGED ANTENNA ACCORD. YOUR LETTER.					
BRCT-393	9-25-69	RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA			10-1-72
BPCT-7043	9-30-69	Ch-15 476-482mcs	V-208kw A-41.1kw	Unl.	8-2-69 2-2-70 ✓
AH: 620' MSL: 1399' IP(BPCT-4193), chg. ERP, type trans.					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location Parkersburg, W. VA.

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
WIRE ACCORD BPCT-4193 AND OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 2-2-70 WITH DAMAGED ANT. ACCORD. YOUR LTR. NOTE THAT EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS AUTHORIZATION CORRESPONDS TO THAT OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT.	11-20-69	PENDING FILING LIC. APPLI. EXT. AUTH. GR.	COMPLETION	CONSTRUCTION	
BMPCT-7135	1-14-70	MP (BPCT-4193, as mod)	EXT. DT.		7-14-70
WIRE FILING LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 3-2-70 WITH BOGNER TYPE DR. 20 ANT. AUTH. IN BMPCT-7135.	2-2-70	PENDING FILING LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 3-2-70 WITH BOGNER TYPE DR. 20 ANT. AUTH. IN BMPCT-7135.	COMPLETION	CONSTRUCTION AND	
WIRE BMPCT-7135 AND FILING LIC. APPLI. EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END 5-2-70 WITH DAMAGED ANT. ACCORD. YOUR LETTER	2-2-70	PENDING FILING LIC. APPLI. EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END 5-2-70 WITH DAMAGED ANT. ACCORD. YOUR LETTER	COMPLETION	CONSTRUCTION ACCORD	
WIRE 3-3-70	3-3-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXTENDED to			4-2-70
WIRE FILING ADDITIONAL MEASUREMENTS ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH SEC. 73.687(A)(3) OF THE RULES FOR LOWER SIDEBAND COLOR SUB-CARRIER ATTENUATION AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 4-20-70 ACCORD BMPCT-7135 SUBJECT TO CAUSING NO INTERFERENCE ANY OTHER AUTH. SERVICE. AUTH. ALSO OPER. FORMER MAIN TRANS. ON PTA AS AUX. TRANS.	3-17-70	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. PENDING FILING ADDITIONAL MEASUREMENTS ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH SEC. 73.687(A)(3) OF THE RULES FOR LOWER SIDEBAND COLOR SUB-CARRIER ATTENUATION AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 4-20-70 ACCORD BMPCT-7135 SUBJECT TO CAUSING NO INTERFERENCE ANY OTHER AUTH. SERVICE. AUTH. ALSO OPER. FORMER MAIN TRANS. ON PTA AS AUX. TRANS.			
WIRE MAIN TRANS. & ANT. ON PTA ACCORD OF BMPCT-7135.	4-20-70	RETENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. MAIN TRANS. & ANT. ON PTA ACCORD OF BMPCT-7135.			
BLCT-1974 AUX. TRANS.	7-27-70	Lic. to utilize former Main trans. as an Aux. trans.			10-1-72
BLCT-1987	7-27-70	Lic. (BPCT-4193, as mod. for chgs.			10-1-72
ESBA BRCT-393 Main Trans. & Ant.; Auxiliary Trans.	5-15-72				
BTC-7486	8-21-74	Vol. Transfer of positive control			
BALCT-552	11-15-74	VOL AL			
BRCT-393 AH: 620' NSL: 1399' Renewal of license	9-29-75	Ch. 15 476-482 A. 41.1 Main Transmitter and Antenna	V. 208 kW	U	10-1-75 10-1-78
BRCT-393 Aux. Trans.	9-29-75	Ch. 15 476-482 main. purposes only			10-1-75 10-1-78
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed

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Station Location PARKERSBURG, WV

Name PMA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BRCT-393 (Main Trans. & Ant.)	9-14-78 (Auxiliary Trans.)	Renewal of License (S)	10-1-81

Card # 1

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM TV B/C (U)

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Name WEST VIRGINIA ENTERPRISES, INC.
 (P.O. ~~509~~ Charleston National Bank Bldg. Charleston, W. Va.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPOT-1295 Recd Filed	9-15-52 9-23-52 9-23-52	OP for a new Commercial TV B/C station Freq: Ch # 15, 476-482 Mc. ERP: Vis 18.9 kw, Aur. 9.45 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: To be determined, Parkersburg, W. Va. T-L: Dole's Knob, near Constitution, Ohio (Vis & Aur. RCA-TTU-1B) (578') Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	2-11-53
BTC-1505 Recd Filed	5-21-53 5-27-53 5-27-53	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control (100%) of permittee corporation, by the Baer family through the transfer of subscription rights to 431 shares (57.47%) voting stock to Theodore A. Eiland, Howard L. Chernoff, Melva G. Chernoff & Lydia Busek. Filed by L. H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED KFF:	7-15-53 8-10-53

Jules Cohen Esqr. (Vandivere, Cohen & Wearn)

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COMM. TV B/C

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Name WEST VIRGINIA ENTERPRISES, INC.~~(P.O. 209 Charleston National Bank Bldg., Charleston, W. Va.)~~*Parkersburg, W. Va.*

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-1400 Filed Recd.	9-4-53 9-8-53 9-8-53	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1295 which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to change ERP from Vis. 19KW, Aur. 10 KW to Vis. 19.1, Aur. 10.3, change studio location from "to be determined" Parkersburg, W. Va., to 121 W. 7th St., Parkersburg, W. Va. Change antenna system and make other equipment changes. (572') Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED Issued with BMPCT-1440)	10-6-53
BMPCT-1440 Recd. Filed	9-30-53 10-1-53 10-1-53	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1295, which authorized a new commercial TV B/C station) for extension of completion date from 10-11-53 to 4-1-54. Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED (Issued with BMPCT-1400)	10-6-53
BMPCT-1949 Recd. & Filed	3-8-54 3-9-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1295, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 4-1-54 to 10-1-54. Filed direct.	GRANTED	3-15-54

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Parkersburg, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-2455 Recd. & Filed	5-17-54 8-23-54	Modification of CP(BPCT-1395, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 10-1-54 to 4-1-55. Filed direct.	GRANTED	9-7-54
BPCT-2952 Rec'd Submitted Recd & filed	2-21-55 2-23-55 3-11-55 3-14-55	Modification of construction permit (BPCT-1395, as modified, which authorized a new Commercial TV broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 4-1-55 to 10-1-55.	REFERRED TO APPL. LETTERS APPL. NOT FILED IN CORP. NAME, NO P.O. ADDRESS	3-18-55
BAPCT-147 Recd. & Filed	2-25-55 3-2-55	Voluntary assignment of construction permit from West Virginia Enterprises, Inc. to The Zanesville Publishing Company. Filed by Alfred C. Cordon, Jr., Atty.	granted Eff:	3-25-55 4-12-55
BMPCT-3439 Recd. & filed Ext. #5	9-21-55 9-23-55	Modification of CP(BPCT-1295, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) for extension of completion date from 10-1-55 to 3-1-56. Filed by Alfred C. Cordon, Jr., Atty. No longer represents. SEE R. A. JONES, ATTY. ME 8 6632.	GRANTED	9-28-55

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COMM. TV B/C

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The Zanesville Publishing Company

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WEST VIRGINIA ENTERPRISES, INC.

Letters

Name

Parkersburg, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-3790 Recd.&filed Ext.#6	2-20-56 2-29-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1295,asmod.,which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) for extension of completion date from 4-1-56 to 10-1-56. Filed by Robert F. Jones,Atty.	GRANTED	3-2-56
BMPCT-4178 Recd.&filed Ext.#7	8-30-56 8-31-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1295,a s mod.,which authorized a new Comm. TV P/C Station) for extension of completion date from 10-1-56 to 3-1-57. Filed by R. E. Jones,Atty.	GRANTED	9-11-56
BMPCT-4525 Recd.&filed Ext.#8	1-28-57 1-30-57	Mod. of CP(BPCT 1295,as mod.,which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) for extension of completion date from 3-1-57 to 9-1-57. Filed by R F Jones,Atty.	GRANTED	2-12-57
BMPCT-4665 Recd.&filed Ext.#9	4-26-57 4-29-57	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1295,as mod)which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta)to extend completion date from 6-1-57 to 9-1-57. Filed by R F Jones,Atty.	GRANTED	5-7-57

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WTAP

Name THE ZANESVILLE PUBLISHING COMPANY
PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ELCT-705 Rec'd RESUBMITTED Rec'd & Filed	7-30-57 8-21-57 8-26-57 8-26-57	License to cover OP (HPCT-1295 as mod.,) which authorized a new commercial TV b/c station. Filed by R. F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED 11-13-57 not to Atty 3-26-57 Pages 3 & 4 dated subsequent to date of cert. in Sec. 5	
LETTER(3)	2-9-59	Request for Waiver of Section 3.652 of Rules to permit W T A P to be identified as a Parkersburg-Marietta(Ohio) station. Robert F. Jones-atty	GRANTED (Letter by License 5-8-59)	4-29-59 COMM.
BTC-3417 Rec'd Filed	4-4-60 4-6-60 4-6-60	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of licensee corporation by Clay Littick thru sale of unissued stock to Arthur S. Littick. Robert F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: 5-4-60	4-22-60
BRCT-393 Rec'd. & Filed	7-1-60 7-5-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by Robert F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-60
BRCT-393 Rec'd. & Filed	6-27-63 7-3-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED	10-15-63

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T/R, INC.

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Name **X** THE ZANESVILLE PUBLISHING COMPANY

CH. 415 PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA Zip. 26102

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLCT-394 R & F	12-7-65 12-14-65	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 10.5 kw to 3.9 kw. Robert F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED	1-12-66
BALCT-308 R & F (Form 316)	4-26-66 5-23-66	Voluntary assignment of License to T/R, Inc. Atty - Robert Jones	GRANTED EFF:	6-16-66 6-30-66
BRECT-393 R & F	7-1-66 7-5-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED	9-1-66
BMLCT-645 R & F	1-26-67 1-30-67	Modification of license to make changes in the transmitting equipment (RCA-TTU-1BLA). Robert F. Jones, Atty. Wm. A. Hunt, Engr.	GRANTED	2-16-67
BALCT -339 R & F (314) SEP	9-11-67 9-15-67 22 1967	Voluntary assignment of license to Broadcasting Services, Inc. Robert F Jones, atty	GRANTED EFF:	11-22-67 12-21-67

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CH. 15 PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4193 R & F \$30 #491623 PRESS	2-17-69 2-18-69 " FEB 27 1969	Construction Permit to change ERP to Visual 16.5 kw (HORZ); Aural 3.30 kw (HORZ); type of antenna to Bogner Antenna Systems Corp. DR 20; antenna structure; and increase antenna height above average terrain to 620 feet; and correct coordinates R. Russell Egan, Atty. (Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson) Jules Cohen & Associates, Engr. AMENDED 5-7-69 re financial data.	GRANTED	6-2-69
BPCT-7043 Rec. & filed \$150 #527340 PRESS PH RECD.	7-1-69 7-7-69 7-7-69 JUL 15 1969 7-16-69	MP (BPCT-4193) to chg. ERP to Vis. 208 kw (Horz), Aur. 41.1 kw (Horz); type of transmitters to RCA TTU 12ALA Atty.: R. Russell Egan (Kirkland, Ellis, etc.) AMENDED 9-15-69 re programming.	GRANTED ^I	9-30-69

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Name BROADCASTING SERVICES, INC.
CH. 15 PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-393 R & F \$150 #526512 PH Recd. PRESS	6-9-69 7-1-69 " " JUL 16 1969	RENEWAL OF LICENSE R. Russell Egan, Atty. (Kirkland, Ellis, Masters)	GRANTED	9-25-69
BRPCT-7135 R & F \$30 #566099 PRESS	12-23-69 12-20-69 " JAN 6 1970	MP (BRPCT-4193, as mod.) to extend completion date to 5-2-70 R. Russell Egan, Atty. (Kirkland, Ellis)	GRANTED	1-14-70
HLCT-1974 R & F #584335 \$30 PRESS:	3-6-70 3-11-70 3-11-70 MAR 19 1970	Lic. to utilize former Main trans. (RCA TTU-1B) as an Auxiliary trans. at Main trans. loc. Atty.: Erwin G. Krasnow (Kirkland, Ellis,)	GRANTED	7-27-'70
AUX. TRANS.				

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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CH. 15 PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLCT-1987 Recd. \$30 #584334 FILED PRESS Engr. data filed	3-6-70 3-11-70 " 4-14-70 APR 23 1970 6-22-70	LICENSE (BPCT-4193, as mod.) for changes. Erwin G. Krasnow, Atty. (Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson)	GRANTED	7-27-70
3-25-71 Annual filing fee \$60.00 paid 9-29-70. #633252.				
BRCT3393 R & F PN REC PRESS	6-22-72 6-28-72 JUL 7 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Erwin G. Krasnow, Atty, (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe) MAIN TRANS. & ANT. AUX. TRANS. Amended 7-31-72 re Sec. IV-B Amended 8-19-74 re revocable trust agreement.	GRANTED	10-27-72

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PMA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

BROADCASTING SERVICES, INC.

PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-7486 R & F #329711 \$250 AC: 051 PRESS: (Form 316)	7-25-74 7-26-74 7-26-74 AUG 6 1974	Voluntary transfer of positive control of R. L. Drake Company (parent corporation of licensee) from R. L. Drake to The Third National Bank and Trust Company of Dayton, Ohio, Trustee. Atty.: John C. Quale (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED EFF: 8-29-74	8-21-74
BALGT-552 R & F #339616 \$1,000 AC 051 PRESS: (Form 314) GRANT FEE \$6,000. GRANT FEE PAID: 12-26-74	8-26-74 8-27-74 SEP 11 1974	Voluntary assignment of license to PMA Communications, Inc. Attys.: Erwin G. Krasnow (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)(Assignor) A. Thomas Carroccio (Berliner, Maloney & Muir)(Assignee) PN 9-16-74. Amended 11-13-74 re financial.	GRANTED EFF:	11-15-74 12-20-74

Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WTAP-TVName **PMA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**
CH-15 Parkersburg, West, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRCT-393 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	5-30-75 6-2-75 6-2-75 26 JUN 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Annual Report Filed Atty: A. Thomas Carroccio (Berliner, Maloney, Gimer & Muir) <u>(MAIN TRANS. & ANT)(AUX. TRANS.)</u> <i>Atty called 7-27-75 re sub annual report</i> Amended 9-15-75 re programming.	GRANTED ^J	9-29-75
BRCT-393 R&F PN RECD PRESS	5-22-78 6-1-78 6-1-78 JUN 13 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Trans.) Atty.: A. Thomas Carroccio	GRANTED ^J	9-14-78

CARD NO. 12

APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: K WTAP-TV

BENEDEK BROADCASTING CORPORATION

COMMERCIAL TV

Name: XEMA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

CH-15

Station Location: PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTCTV-790618KE R&F PN REC'D (FORM 315) P R E S S JUL 9 1979	6-15-79 6-18-79 7-9-79 6-18-79 JUL 9 1979	Voluntary transfer of control from Robert E. Richardson, et al, to Benedek Broadcasting Corporation, et al A. Thomas Carroccio, Atty.	GRANTED 10-3-79 EFF: 12/14/79
BALCT-791029KE R & F PRESS: (Form 316)	10-22-79 10-29-79 11-6-79	Voluntary assignment of license to Benedek Broadcasting Corporation. Attys.: Assignor-A. Thomas Carroccio (Santarelli & Giner) Assignee-Michael H. Rosenbloom (Wilner & Scheiner)	GRANTED 11-7-79 EFF: 12/14/79

MEMORANDUM OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS 7-15-80 by Michael H. Rosenbloom for Benedek Broadcasting Corporation.

CARD NO. 13

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING
COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters: WTAP-TV

Name: BENEDEK BROADCASTING CORPORATION

CH-15

Station Location: PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCT-810601LS	5-26-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	
R&F	6-01-81	ATTY: MICHAEL H. ROSENBLUM	
PN REC'D	6-01-81	{WILNER AND SCHEINER}	

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.

