

WTBS



Form BC 126  
June 1964

SEA to spec. 5-27-67 station 1-1-67  
Prog. Test Auth. gr. 11-28-67

COMM. TV

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

EFF:

WTBS 8/27/79

XW T C G (7-1-70)

XWJRJ-TV

Date first licensed 1-8-69 (OFF. NO. 652)

Call letters

Station location ATLANTA, GEORGIA

SUPERSTATION, INC. (AL 4-23-79; Eff:

XTURNER BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL 2-28-79; Eff:

XTURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (4-6-70)

XRICE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Name of licensee

Transmitter location 1018 W. Peachtree, Atlanta, Ga. (BMPCT-6388 12-13-66)  
X2131 DeKALB AVENUE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Main studio location 1018 WEST PEACHTREET STREET, ATLANTA, GEORGIA



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl.<br>No.  | Date<br>Issued | Freq.                                   | Power     | Time<br>Div. | Period<br>From- To- |
|---|----------------|---|-----------|--------------|---------------------|
| BPCT-3603   | 10-20-65       | CH.#46                                  | V-575 kw  | U            | 12-20-65            |
| AH: 1100  |                | 662-668                                 | A-110 kw  | MSL:2049'    | 6-20-66             |
| CONSTRUCTION PERMIT for a New Comm. TV B/C Station        |                |   |           |              |                     |
| CP ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS.                           |                |   |           |              |                     |
| BPCT-3603   | 3-3-66         | same                                    | same      | WJRJ-TV      | 3-3-66 12-20-65     |
| Mod. of CP (BPCT-3603) CALL LETTERS/ASSIGNED              |                |   |           |              |                     |
| BMPCT-6244  | 3-29-66        | CH.#17                                  | V-447 kw  | U            | 5-29-66             |
| AH: 1090'   | MSL:2049'      | 488-494                                 | A-87.1 kw |              | 11-29-66            |
| Mod. of CP (BPCT-3603, which auth. a new station) to chg. |                |   |           |              |                     |
| FREQUENCY, Studio loc., type of antenna, AH               |                |   |           |              |                     |
| BMPCT-6388  | 12-13-66       | CH-17                                   | V-832     | U            | 10-20-65            |
| BMPCT-6389  |                | 488-494                                 | A-115     |              | 5-29-67             |
| Mod. of CP (BPCT-3603) to make chgs & extend comp. date   |                |   |           |              |                     |
| BMPCT-6537  | 7-11-67        | same                                    | same      | same         | 10-20-65            |
| Mod. of CP to ext. compl. date                            |                |   |           |              |                     |
| WIRE  | 8-29-67        | RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. |           |              |                     |
| WJRJ-TV TEMP. PER. END. 9-29-67 ON PROG. TEST ACCORD.     |                |   |           |              |                     |
| SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPCT-6537 EXCEPT WITH ZERO      |                |   |           |              |                     |
| OFFSET CARRIER FREQUENCIES PENDING CORRECTION TO MINUS    |                |   |           |              |                     |
| OFFSET. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS        |                |   |           |              |                     |
| AUTHORITY AND WHEN CORRECTION OFFSET FREQUENCIES          |                |   |           |              |                     |
| ACCOMPLISHED.   |                |   |           |              |                     |
| WIRE  | 9-29-67        | REURTEL 27 AND LIC. APPLI. BLCT-1708    |           |              |                     |
| EXT. AUTH. GR. OPER. WJRJ-TV TEMP. PE R. END. 12-1-67     |                |   |           |              |                     |
| ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPCT-     |                |   |           |              |                     |
| 6537 EXCEPT WITH ZERO OFFSET CARRIER FREQUENCIES PENDING  |                |   |           |              |                     |
| CORRECTION TO MINUS OFFSET. ADVISE WHEN CORRECTION        |                |   |           |              |                     |
| OFFSET FREQUENCY ACCOMPLISHED.                            |                |   |           |              |                     |
| WIRE  | 11-28-67       | LIC. APPLI. BLCT-1708 AUTH. GR.         |           |              |                     |
| OPER. WJRJ-TV ON PROG. TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND |                |   |           |              |                     |
| CP BMPCT-6537.  |                |   |           |              |                     |
| BTC-5641  | 9-5-68         | VOL. RELIN. DF POSITIVE CONTROL         |           |              |                     |
| BLCT-1708   | 1-8-69         | LICENSE (BPCT-3603) new station         |           |              |                     |
| BTC-6077  | 12-10-69       | VOL. T/C                                |           |              |                     |
| BMLCT-697   | 4-6-70         | ML (BLCT-1708) chg. name                |           |              |                     |



Form BC 126

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COMM. TV

June 1954

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W T C G (7-1-70)

Station location ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl.<br>No.                      | Date<br>Issued | Freq.  | Power      | Time<br>Div. | Period<br>From- To |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--|------------|--------------|--------------------|
| BPCT-4400                         | 12-8-70        | Ch. 17   | V. 851 kw  | U            | 2-8-71             |
| AH: 1042' MSL:                    | 2042'          | 488-494  | A. 85.1 kw |              | 6-8-72             |
| CP chg. ERP & ant.                |                |  |            |              |                    |
| WIRE                              | 1-27-72        | Pending fil. appli. for lic. auth. gr  |            |              |                    |
| oper temp. per. end.              | 2-27-72        | accord. bpct-4400  |            |              |                    |
| WIRE                              | 2-25-72        | ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO  |            |              | 3-8-72             |
| WIRE                              | 3-3-72         | RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR.  |            |              |                    |
| OPER. ON PTA ACCORD CP            |                | BPCT-4400.   |            |              |                    |
| EBSA                              | 5-15-72        |  |            |              |                    |
| BRCT-652                          | 6-1-72         | REN. OF LICENSE (S)  |            |              | 4-1-73             |
| BLCT-2143                         | 7-19-72        | Ch. 17   | V. 661 kw  | U            | 7-19-72            |
| AH: 1090' MSL:                    | 2042'          | 488-494  | A. 66.1    |              | 4-1-73             |
| Lic. (BPCT-4400) chg.             |                |  |            |              |                    |
| BSCT-652                          | 10-16-72       | Modified lic. (L) to correct coords.   |            |              |                    |
| BRCT-652                          | 4-23-73        | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (s)   |            |              | 4-1-76             |
| BPCT-4693                         | 3-29-74        | Ch. 17   | V. 708 kW  | U            | 5-29-74            |
| AH: 1090' MSL:                    | 2042'          | 488-494  | A. 70.8 kW |              | 9-29-75            |
| CP to chg ERP & trans. equipment. |                |  |            |              |                    |
| BMPCT-7539                        | 7-31-74        | Ch. 17   | V. 1510 kW | U            | 5-29-74            |
| AH: 1090' MSL:                    | 2042           | 488-494  | A. 151 kW  |              | 9-29-75            |
| MP (BPCT-4693) to chg             |                | ERP, trans.  |            |              |                    |
| BMPCT-7539                        | 7-31-74        | Superseding mod. to correct type trans   |            |              |                    |
| WIRE                              | 3-21-75        | Re phone Call from consulting engineer pend. fil. properly executed by written request accord. Sect. 1.562 rules and subsequent fil. of lic. appl. auth. grtd. oper. WTCG temp. per. end. 3-31-75 in exact accord. with CP BMPCT-7539. |            |              |                    |
| WIRE                              | 5-6-75         | Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper WTCG on program test accord. Sect. 73.629 rules and CP BMPCT-7539.  |            |              |                    |
| BRCT-781201KG                     | 3-22-79        | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)   |            |              | 4-1-82             |



BC-126  
February 1974

Card No. 3

COMM TV B/C

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WTCG

Station location ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Name of licensee TURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl.<br>No.   | Date<br>Issued | Freq.   | Power                                    | Time<br>Div. | Period<br>From- To.   |
|--|----------------|---|--|--------------|-----------------------|
| BLCT-2402<br>AH: 1090' MSL: 2042'<br>Lic(BPCT-4693 as mod) | 7-11-75        | Ch. 17<br>488-494<br>for chgs.                | V. 1480 kW<br>A. 148 kW<br>MAIN TRANS. & | U            | 4-1-76<br>ANT.        |
| BSCT-652<br>Aux. Trans.                                    | 7-11-75        | Ch. 17<br>488-494                             | For Emer. Test<br>main purposes only     |              | 4-1-76                |
| BRCT-652<br>Renewal of license                             | 3-30-76        | Renewal of license (S)<br>MAIN TRANS. AND ANT |  |              | 4-1-79<br>AUX. TRANS. |



FORM BC-121  
Aug. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **WJRJ-TV**  
Letters **NEWS**

**RICE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.**

Name **PO c/o Robert McKinsey, President, 3091 Ardren Road, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30305**

365 Elden Drive, N.E.

Application for

File No.  
BPCT- 3603  
Rec. & filed

Dated  
7-14-65  
7-15-65

Construction permit for a new Commercial Television broadcast station:

Channel #46, 662-668 mcs.  
ERP: Vis. 572 kw, Aur. 110 kw

Unlimited hours

Transmitter location: 2131 DeKalb Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia

Studio location: ~~To be Determined, Atlanta, Ga.~~

STATION LOCATION: ATLANTA, GEORGIA  
( G. E. TT-57A ) AH: 1097 feet

Cohn and Marks-atty (Stanley E. Cohn)  
Gautney and Jones-engr.

AMENDED to show change in directors.

AMENDED to change studio location from "To be determined" to 1018 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia; submit financial data; and studio lease agreement.

Action

Nature Date

**GRANTED**

**OCT 20 1965**

The Comm. say, without further proceedings, substitute for CH. 46, such other CH. as may be allocated to Atlanta, Ga. as a result of the proceeding in Doc. No. 14229.

CP ISSUED WITHOUT CALL LETTERS

AMENDED  
Recd. & Filed

8-23-65  
8-24-65

AMENDED  
Recd. & Filed

9-10-65  
9-13-65



Form BC-121  
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call WJRJ-TV  
Letters ~~CALL LETTERS~~  
UNASSIGNED

Name RICE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.  
CH. 46 ATLANTA, GEORGIA

| File No.            | Dated                | Application for   | Action                        |          |
|---------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|----------|
|                     |                      |   | Nature                        | Date     |
| BMFCT-6244<br>R & F | 2-10-66<br>2-14-66   | Modification of CP (BPCT-3603, which authorized a new station) to change frequency from Ch. 46, 662-668 Mcs to Ch. 17, 488-494 Mcs (pursuant to Fifth Report & Order in Docket 14229); change ERP from Vis. 575 kw, Aural 110 kw to Vis. 448.9 kw (Horz), Aural 86.30 kw (Horz); change studio location to "To be determined, Atlanta, Georgia; type of antenna to GE, TY-25B; and decrease antenna height above average terrain to 1091 ft.<br>Cohn and Marks, Atty. | <i>gr. granted</i><br>GRANTED | 3-29-66  |
| BMFCT-6389<br>R & F | 10-13-66<br>10-21-66 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3603, as mod., which auth. a new station) to extend completion date from 11-29-66 to 5-29-67.<br>Stanley B. Cohen, Atty. (COHN & MARKS)  | GRANTED                       | 12-13-66 |



FORM BC-121  
AUG. 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WJRJ-TVName RICE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.Address ATLANTA, GEORGIA (card 12-1-66 New address 1018 West Peachtree, N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30305)

| File No.                        | Dated                | Application for   | Action  |          |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---|---------|----------|
|                                 |                      |   | Nature  | Date     |
| BMPCT-6388<br>R & F             | 10-13-66<br>10-21-66 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3603, as mod., which auth. a new station); to make the following changes: (ERP to Vis. 836 kw (HORZ); Aur. 114 kw (HORZ)); change TL and specify SL as 1018 West Peachtree, Atlanta, Georgia; type of transmitter to GE TT59A; type of antenna to GE TY106B; and increase antenna height above average terrain to 1099.8 feet.<br>Stanley B. Cohen, Atty. (COHN & MARKS)<br>Gautney & Jones, Engr. (Warner Bldg) | GRANTED | 12-13-66 |
| BMPCT-6537<br>R & F             | 4-18-67<br>4-24-67   | Modification of CP (BPCT-3603, as mod., which auth. a new station) to extend completion date from 5-29-67 to 11-29-67.<br>Marcus Cohn, Atty.  | GRANTED | 7-11-67  |
| BLC-1708<br>R & F<br>SEP 1 1967 | 8-28-67<br>8-29-67   | LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3603, as mod.) which authorized a new Comm. TV Broadcast Station.<br>Paul Dobin, Atty. (Marcus Cohn)  | GRANTED | 1-8-69   |



Form BC-121  
Aug. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV.

Call  
Letters WJRJ-TV

Name RICE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

CH 17 Atlanta, Georgia

| File No.  | Dated  | Application for  | Action   |                       |
|---|--|--|--|-----------------------|
|   |  |  | Nature   | Date                  |
| BTC-5641<br>R & F<br>Press<br>PN Rec'd<br>(Form 316)      | 5-28-68<br>5-31-68<br>JUN 8 1968                             | Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of permittee corporation by Jack M. Rice thru conversion of debentures.<br>Marcus Cohn, Atty. (Stanley B. Cohen)<br>AMENDED 6-14-68 to show public issuance of stock.<br>AMENDED 7-29-68 re legal and financial.  | 433030<br>GRANTED<br>EFF:<br>Commission Action | 30. 5-31-68<br>9-5-68 |
| BTC-6077<br>R & F<br>#550896 \$150<br>PRESS:<br>PN REC'D: | 10-15-69<br>10-23-69<br>10-23-69<br>OCT 30 1969<br>11-20--69 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Jack M. Rice to R. E. Turner III, Individually and as Executor of the Estate of R. E. Turner, deceased and Louis H. Peterson, et al.<br>REQUEST WAIVER OF THE THREE YEAR RULE.<br>Attys.: Cohn and Marks (Transferor)<br>Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith, Peppet, Shack & L'Heureux) (Transferee)<br>AMENDED 11-5-69 re financial data. | GRANTED<br>EFF<br>COMMISSION ACTION            | 12-10-69<br>1-26-70   |



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call  
Letters WRTN-TV W T C G

TURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Name RICE BROADCASTING-COMPANY, INC.

CH. 17 ATLANTA, GEORGIA

| File No.  | Dated  | Application for  | Action                          |                   |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|
|   |  |  | Nature                          | Date              |
| BRCT-652<br>R & F<br>\$350 #566500<br>PRESS<br>PN Recd.       | 12-30-69<br>1-2-70<br>"<br>JAN 16 1970<br>1-2-70       | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>Robert B. Jacobi, Atty. (Cohn & Marks)<br>AMENDED 4-23-70 to show correct name.  | GRANTED<br>MEMO. OP.<br>ADOPTED | 6-1-72<br>& ORDER |
| BRCT-697<br>R & F<br>\$30 #580449<br>PRESS<br>Engr. data file | 2-19-70<br>2-23-70<br>2-25-70<br>MAR 2 1970<br>5-28-70 | SEE OTHER SIDE FOR PETITIONS<br>NL to change name to TURNER COMMUNICATIONS<br>CORPORATION.<br>Arthur V. Weinberg, Atty. (Smith, Pepper, Shack)   | GRANTED                         | 4-6-70            |
| EPCT-7400<br>R & F<br>#644009 \$50<br>AC: 062<br>PRESS:       | 11-2-70<br>11-13-70<br>11-13-70<br>DEC 4 1970          | CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 851.2kw(H), Aur.<br>85.1kw(H); type ant. to RCA TPU-30J; make<br>chgs. in ant. structure (decr. hght.); and<br>HAAT 1093 ft.<br><br>Atty.: M. S. Fowler (Smith, Pepper) | GRANTED                         | 12-8-70           |



PETITION TO DENY filed 3-30-70 by Lonnie C. King, Jr. for Community Coalition on B/C.  
DENIED - MEMO, OP. & ORDER ADOPTED 6-1-72

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 4-29-70 by Arethur Weinberg for WJRJ-TV  
MOTION FOR EXT. OF TIME TO REPLY TO LICENSEE'S OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 5-7-70  
by Albert H. Kramer for Community Coalition.

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 5-28-70 by Citizens Communications Center.  
Ltr. 6-22-70 from Citizens Communications Center submitting affidavit of John Cox.



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W T C GName  
CH-17TURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

| File No.  | Dated   | Application for   | Action  |         |
|---|---|---|---------|---------|
|   |   |   | Nature  | Date    |
| BUCT-2143<br>R & F<br>#046078 \$50<br>AC: 069<br>PRESS: | 2-24-72<br><del>2-29-72</del><br>2-29-72<br>MAR 17 1972   | Lic. to cover (BPCT-4400) for chgs.<br>Atty.: Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper)   | GRANTED | 7-19-72 |
| BRCT-652<br>R & F<br>PN REC<br>PRESS                    | <del>12-20-72</del><br>12-27-72<br>12-27-72<br>JAN 5 1973 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper)<br>Amended 4-2-73 re programming                                      | GRANTED | 4-23-73 |
| BPCT-4693<br>R & F<br>#256498 \$50<br>AC: 058<br>PRESS: | 11-26-73<br>11-28-73<br>11-28-73<br>DEC 17 1973           | CP to chg. ERP Vis. 703.1kW(H), Aur. 70.3kW(H)<br>and chg. Transmitting equipment.<br>Atty: Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper) | GRANTED | 3-29-74 |



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING COMMERCIAL TV

CARD # 7

Call  
Letters .....W.T.C.G.....

Name TURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION  
CH-17 ATLANTA, GEORGIA

| File No.  | Dated       | Application for   | Action  |                    |
|---|-------------|---|---------|--------------------|
|   |             |   | Nature  | Date               |
| BMPCT-7539<br>R & F<br>#306858 \$50<br>AC: 058<br>PRESS:  | 5-15-74     | MP(BPCT-4693) to chg. ERP Vis. 1521kW(H);<br>Aur. 152.1kW(H); chg. type trans. RCA<br>TTU-110B.<br>Atty: Arthur V. Weingberg (Smith and Pepper) | GRANTED | 7-31-74            |
|   | 5-20-74     |   |         | <i>See 4-28-75</i> |
|   | 5-20-74     |   |         |                    |
|   | JUN 5 1974  |   |         |                    |
| BLCT-2402<br>R & F<br>#419365 \$100.<br>AC: 058<br>PRESS: | 4-15-75     | License to cover (BPCT-4693, as mod.) for<br>changes.<br>Atty: Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper)  | GRANTED | 7-11-75            |
|   | 4-28-75     |   |         |                    |
|   | 4-28-75     |   |         |                    |
|   | 17 JUN 1975 |   |         |                    |



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call  
Letters WTCCNAME TURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION  
CH-17 Atlanta, Georgia

| File No.                                      | Dated  | Application for   | Action  |         |
|---|--|---|---------|---------|
|   |  |   | Nature  | Date    |
| BRCT-652<br>R & F<br>PN Rec'd:<br>PRESS:      | 11-11-75<br>11-25-75<br>11-25-75<br>2 FEB 1976 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE<br>Annual Reports Filed<br>Atty: James L. Oyster (Smith & Pepper)<br><del>XXXXXXXXXXXX</del><br>Contours filed 2-3-76<br>Amended 3-18-76 re programming. | GRANTED | 3-30-76 |
| BRCT-<br>781201KG<br>R&F<br>PN REC'D<br>PRESS | 10-17-78<br>12-1-78<br>79 0123                 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN TRANS. & ANT.)<br>(AUX. TRANS.)<br>JAMES L. OYSTER, ATTY<br>(SMITH & PEPPER)<br><br>Contours filed 2-3-76.   | GRANTED | 3-22-79 |



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

 Call MTBS  
 Letters X W T C G

SUPERSTATION, INC.

X TURNER BROADCASTING CORPORATION

X TURNER COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Name  
CH-17

ATLANTA, GA

| File No.  | Dated                                  | Application for   | Action          |                    |
|---|--|---|-----------------|--------------------|
|   |  |   | Nature          | Date               |
| BRICT-781229LD<br>R & F<br>PRESS:<br>(Form 316) | 12-28-78<br>12-29-78<br><b>79 0220</b> | Voluntary assignment of license to Turner<br>Broadcasting Corporation.<br><br>Atty.: Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper)  | GRANTED<br>EFF: | 2-28-79            |
| BALCT-790321LD<br>R & F<br>PRESS:<br>(Form 316) | 3-15-79<br>3-21-79<br>4-20-79          | Voluntary assignment of license to<br>Superstation, Inc.<br><br>Atty.: James J. McGillan (Smith & Pepper)   | GRANTED         | 4-23-79            |
| BRCCT-800630KG<br>R & F                         | 6-23-80<br>6-30-80                     | Request authority to chg. Studio Location to<br>1050 Techwood Dr., N. W., Atlanta, GA, and<br>operate trans. by remote control from Studio<br>Location.<br><br>Atty.: Arthur V. Weinberg (Smith & Pepper) | GR              | 10-1-80<br>10-1-80 |



## 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.

