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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-15-68

Call letters WNTN

Station location Newton, Massachusetts

NEWTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION (VOL. AL 6-17-70 EFF: 7-17-70)
xCHARLES A. BELL, GEORGE J. HELMER, III, AND WAYNE H. LEWIS, d/b as
Name of licensee NEWTON BROADCASTING COMPANY

143 Rumford Avenue, Newton, Mass. (MHP 8-9-67)

Transmitter location XRear 610 Winchester Street, Newton, Massachusetts (BP 5-19-65)

02166
Main studio location Same as transmitter.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-12884	5-19-65	1550kc	10kw	Day	7-19 1-19-66
		CP for a new standard broadcast station.			
BP-12884 (1)	12-23-65	Mod. of CP(BP-12884) to assign Call Letters.			
BMP-11,683 (1)	2-7-66	Mod of CP(12,884) for extension of completion date.			7-1-66
BMP-11,835 (2)	7-18-66	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod) for ext. of completion date to			1-1-67
BMP-11,962 (3)	1-23-67	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod) for ext. of completion date to			7-1-67
BMP-12,103 (4)	7-25-67	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod) for ext. of completion date to			1-2-68
BMP-12113	8-9-67	1550kc	10kw	Day	7-19 2-2-68
		Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod.) to change ant-trans and studio loc., make chgs. in ant. system (decrease height) Cond'l.			
MP-12302 (1)	2-28-68	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to			5-2-68.
BL-11,959	5-15-68	Lic. (BP-12,884 as mod) New Station			4-1-69
BZ-7094(1)	2-6-69	Direct Meas.			
BR-4684(L)	6-17-70	Renewal of license			4-1-72
BAL-6462	6-17-70	VOL. AL EFF: 7-17-70			
BR-4684 EBSA	3-30-72 6-12-72	(LONG) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-75
BTC-7648	9/26/75	Vol TC EFF: 11/14/75			
BR-4684(L)	9-23-75	RENEWAL			4-1-78
COMTEL	8-5-76	Obstruction marking specifications in accordance with Paragraph one of FCC Form 715.			
BR-4684(L)	3-28-78	Renewal of License			4-1-81
BZ-790614A(1)	8-8-79	Direct Measurement			
BZ-790825A(L)	10-29-79	Direct Measurement			4-1-81

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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed

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NEWTON,
Station Location MASSACHUSETTS

Name SEE CARD #1

Transmitter Location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEE CARD #1

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
COMTEL	4-2-80	OPERATING AT REDUCED POWER NOTIFY WHEN NORMAL	

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

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CHARLES A. BELL, GEORGE J. HELMER, III, AND WAYNE H. LEWIS,

Name d/b as NEWTON BROADCASTING COMPANYNEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS (P.O. c/o George J. Helmer III, Box 62, Newton Highlands, Mass.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,884 Rec'd Filed	2-27-59 3-3-59 3-3-59	CP for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1550kc Power - 10kw Hours of operation - Daytime Type Transmitter - GKTES-BC-10P Trans. location - Rear 601 Winchester St. Newton, Massachusetts Studio location - Same as transmitter	GRANTED After Hearing Docket No. 13067 Order Issued.	5-19-65
BMP-11,683 R&F	1-14-66 1-18-66	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884, which auth. for a new Standard Broadcast Station) for extension of completion date from 1-19-66 to <u>7-1-66</u> . Attys: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Saguine	GRANTED	2-7-66

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D/B AS NEWTON BROADCASTING COMPANY
NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-11,835 R & F	6-29-66 7-1-66	Modification of CP(BP-12,884 as mod., which authorized a new Standard Broadcast Station) for extension of completion date from 7-1-66 to _____ Attys: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine	GRANTED to	7-18-66 1-1-67
BMP-11,962 R & F	12-28-66 12-30-66	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod.) which auth a new standard broadcast station) for ext. of completion date from 1-1-67 to 7-1-67 Atty. Fly, Shuebruk, Blume and Gaguine	GRANTED to	1-23-67 7-1-67
BMP-12,103 R & F	6-26-67 6-29-67	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod) which auth a new standard broadcast station) for ext. of completion date from 7-1-67 to _____ Atty. Jerome S. Boros	GRANTED to	7-25-67 1-2-68

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BROADCASTING COMPANY NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,113 R & F	5-1-67 5-3-67	Mod. of CP(BP-12,884 as mod., which auth a new standard broadcast station) to change ant-trans loc. and studio loc to 143 Rumford Ave. Newton, Mass; make chgs in ant. syst(decrease height) request waiver of Commission's Rules 73.24 (a)(g) Atty. Jerome S. Boros Engr. Ralph T. Winquist	GRANTED Cond'l res: Section 73.24(g) is WAIVED to permit construction & oper. from the site described in this auth.; Permittee shall adjust all reasonable complaints of blanketing interf. within the one-volt-per-meter contour.	8-9-67
Amended: Sect. 73.24 (a)	7-2-67 re waived			
Amended. re waived	7-24-67 Sect. 73.24(g)			
JUL 28 1967				
BMP-12302 R. & F.	12-28-67 2-1-68	Mod. of C.P. (BP-12,844, as mod. which auth. a new standard B/C station, and make change ant-trans loc. ant. system.) for extension of completion date from 2-2-68 to 5-2-68. Attys: Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine (J.S. Boros)	GRANTED to	2-28-68 5-2-68
FEB 12 1968				

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BROADCASTING COMPANY Newton, Mass.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,959 Rec'd Filed #413400 \$30 Amended R & F PT MAY 8 1968	3/14/68 3/15/68 3/27/68 3/15/68 3/25/68 3/27/68 3/28/68	License (BP-12,844 as mod., for new station, specify transmitter COLLINS 820E/F1). Engr: Donald W. Howe, Jr., Worcester, Mass. re engr. data.	GRANTED	5-15-68
BAL-6462 R & F FEE PD:\$75 -#455189 SEP 5 1968	8-19-68 8-29-68	Voluntary assignment of license to NEWTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION (See Over) Atty - Fly, Shuebruk, Blume & Gaguine	GRANTED EFF:	6-17-70 7-17-70
BZ-7094 Rec'd RESUB: R & F DM FEB 4 1969	1/14/69 1/6/69 1/16/68 1/24/69	Direct Meas. (COLLINS 820/F-1)	RETURNED Sect.-I: GRANTED	-1/7/69-no 2-6-69

BAL-6462:

AMENDED 12-15-69. Re: Other Business interests. 70

Ltr filed 5-13-70 re filing of contract(reply to ltr 4-30

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NEWTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION

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BROADCASTING COMPANY Newton, Mass.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4684 R & F #481432 \$75.00 PRESS FEB 8 1969	12-28-68 1-2-69 1-2-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 4-1-70 re: Balance Sheet Atty. Jerome S. Boros	GRANTED	6-17-70
BR-4684 R & F P.N. PRESS PN JAN 12 1972	12-30-71 1-3-72 1-3-72 1-31-72	Renewal of License Atty: Jerome S. Boros (Fly, Shuebruk, etc.)	GRANTED	3-30-72
BTC -7648 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 # 375172 CODE 047 JAN 13 1975	12-12-74 12-18-74	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Charles A. Bell to Crestes T. Demetriades and John A. Booras (see over) Atty - Fly, <u>Shuebruk</u> , Blume & Gaguine	GRANTED EFF: gr fee req Fee Pd	9/26/75 11/12/75 11/19/75 W 499458

RE: BTC-7648 - NOTED: Past Prog. not filed(ref. made)
AMENDED 2-14-75 re comm. survey
AMENDED 3-4-75 - correction re B/C int;

Atty. called 2-13-69 re: ~~change~~ name of applicant

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4-68

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NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4684	11-29-74	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	9-23-75
R & F	12-2-74	AMENDED 12-3-74 re: original signature		
PN Recd.	"	AMENDED 1-20-75 re: reflect filing of transfer of control		
PRESS		PETITION TO DENY RENEWAL filed 2-4-75 by Kristin Booth Glen, counsel on behalf of WNCN Listeners' Guild		
		PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed 2-28-75 by Petitioners		
		RESPONSE TO PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed 4-7-75 by Newton Broadcasting Corporation		
		COMMENTS TO REPLY TO PETITION TO DENY filed 4-21-75 by Lloyd Simon		
		RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 4-29-75 by Petitioners		
		ERRATUM TO RESPONSE TO PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE, filed 5-19-75 by Newton Broadcasting Corporation		
		RESPONSE TO LETTER OF JULY 31 re programming filed 8-22-75 by Charles A. Bell		
		MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 9-23-75 Petition to Deny filed by the Citizens of Newton for Community Effective Radio Now DENIED		

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Name Newton Broadcasting Corporation
Newton, Massachusetts

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4684 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-28-77 12-1-77 12-1-77 DEC 21 1977	Renewal of License Atty- Peter Shuebruk	GRANTED	3-28-78
BZ-790614AB R & F DM PRESS	6-14-79 6-22-79 JUL 25 1979	Direct Measurement Atty. Peter Shuebruk (Fly, Shuebruk, etc.)	GRANTED	8-8-79
BZ-790823AA R & F DM PRESS	8-23-79 8-31-79 OCT 23 1979	Direct Measurement Atty. Peter Shuebruk	GRANTED	10-29-79

Name: NEWTON BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Station Location: NEWTON MASSACHUSETTS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR-801128UW PRESS	DEC 18 1980	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Peter Shuebruk public notice filed 12-15-80	<i>980 3/30/81</i> ISSUED

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 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. 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 – 3" by 5" filing cards – 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). 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. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

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 radio station history.

