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**REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE**

**Cat. No. 4550L**

**Patent No. 1390199**

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-27-49

W K I R (EFF: 11-24-75)

Call letters x WTJS-FM

LOCATION: JACKSON, TENNESSEE

RADIO STATION WTJS, INC. (ALH 7-9-74 EFF:  
x WTJS, INC. (ALH 12-20-72 EFF: 12-29-72)

Name of licensee X THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

Redes: 122 Radio Road, Jackson, Tenn.

Approx. 2.8 miles northwest of Jackson, On west side of U.S. Hwy. #45

Transmitter location U.S. Highway #45, North of Jackson, Tennessee

122 Radio Road, Jackson, Tenn. (SH 12-2-75)  
x255 West Lafayette Street, Jackson, Tennessee (BRCH, 9-2-58)

Main studio location x104-106 West Baltimore, Jackson, Tennessee

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Mcs. Freq.	E.R.P. Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
Letter	9-19-46	STA to operate on 95.1 mcs. using an RCA BTF-1C trans., with 1 kw power and a single bay square loop ant. mounted on the S.W. tower of the WTJS directive array for purpose of providing an FM program service for period 9-19-46 to 12-17-46. Upon completion of installation of FM ant. data shall be submitted to show that such installation has not effected the directional ant. pattern of WTJS ant. when operating non-directional. Operating power of WTJS to be determined by the indirect method in accordance with Sec 3.52 pending approval of such data			
3-PH-308	11-1-45	95.1	30 kw		
Letter	8-27-46	No. 236	Subject to Comm. approval of antenna and transmitter details.		
3-PH-308	11-1-45	95.1	48 kw	U	By 4-11-47
CP issued	2-11-47	No. 236	Terr. 640'		To 10-11-47
Letter	1-20-47	Subject to CAA approval of trans. site.			
Telegram	6-6-47	Relet Attorney 4-28. Ch. 264, 100.7 mcs. assigned in lieu of Ch. 236 pending final action in Docket 6768.			
Telegram	6-23-47	Relet Att'y 16. Auth. granted 9-24-47 to operate 100.7 mcs. using RCA bTF-3B trans. 3 kw power single bay folded dipole turnstile ant. mounted on roof of New Southern Hotel, 132' above ground for FM program service. Advise Comm. date operation commences.			
	8-27-47	100.7	(No. 234)		
		Freq. assignment accord. Do 6768			
Telegram	9-24-47	Auth. ext. WTJS-FM period ending 10-11-47, to operate 100.7 mcs. using RCA BTF-3B trans. 3 kw. max. output, single bay folded dipole turnstile ant. on roof of New Southern Hotel, 132 ft. above ground for purpose of providing FM program service.			

Card #2  
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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters **WTJB-FM** .....

Name of licensee **THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, 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
BAPh-834	9-25-47	100.7	48 kw	U	
		Ext. of completion date to 4-1-48			
Telegram	10-10-47	Relet atty 8. Auth. extended period ending April 1, 1948 interim operation			
Telegram	3-23-48	Relet atty. Auth. extended period ending Oct. 1, 1948.			
BMPH-1607	3-9-48	100.7.	48 kw.	540 ft.	By 4-11-47
Ext. of	compl.	date	Aver. Terr.	To	10-1-48
Telegram	9-22-48	Relet atty 16. Auth ext. WTJS-FM period ending 1-15-48 op 100.7 mcs using RCA BTF-3B Trans 3 kw max output power & single sect. turnstile ant. mounted on roof of new Southern Hotel 132 ft. above ground re FM prog. serv.			
BMPH-2554	9-14-48	Ext. of completion date to 4-1-49.			
Telegram	1-3-49	Relet atty. 31. Auth. mod. & Ext. period ending 4-1-49 op. using fac. spec. in BMPH-2554 re FM prog. serv.			
BMPH-3289	3-14-49	Ext. of completion date to 6-1-49.			
Telegram	3-23-49	Relet Atty. 1. Auth. mod. and ext. period ending 6-1-49 op. using fac. spec. in BMPH-3289 except trans. output power 9.5 kw due to shorter trans. line re FM prog. serv.			
BMPH-3439	5-10-49	Extension of completion date to 8-1-49			
Telegram	5-24-49	Relet Atty. 17. Auth. mod. and ext. period ending 8-1-49 op. using fac. spec. in BMPH-3323 re FM broadcast prog. serv.			
BMPH-3323	5-18-49	100.7	50 kw.	640 ft.	Mod. of C.P. To 8-1-49
Change ERP					
LH-490	9-27-49	License to cover C. P. 9-27-49 to 12-1-50			

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WTIS-FM .....Name of licensee THE SUN PUBLISHING CO. COMPANY, INC. .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BRH-547	11-22-50	Renewal of License 12-1-50 to 12-1-51			
BRH-547	11-21-51	Renewal of license to 8-1-52			
BRH-547	7-17-52	Renewal of license to 8-1-55			
BRCH-82	4-12-54	301-A operation by remote control			
Wire	3-11-55	Auth. op on 104.1 mcs using present fac. to 4-12-55 to determine if such op will clear interf			
Wire	4-21-55	RELET ATTY 20. Interim auth. ext. 5-12-55			
WIRE	5-9-55	RELET ATTY 4. Interim auth. ext. to 6-12-55			
BPH-2018	5-13-55	C.P. change frequency to 104.1 megacycles 7-13-55 1-13-56			
WIRE	6-7-55	Interim oper. accord. BPH-2018 for period of 30 days. pend. recp. & action license			
BLH-1059	7-20-55	License to cover BPH-2018 TO 8-1-55 104.1 mcs. - 50kw ERP- Terr 640 ft.			
BRH-547	7-20-55	Renewal of license and 8-1-58 (1) remote control operation			
BRH-547	7-23-58	Renewal of license 8-1-61			
BRCH-215 (1)	9-8-58	Modification of license to change Studio location and R. C. Point from 104-106 W. Baltimore St. Jackson, Tenn. to 255 West Lafayette Street, Jackson, Tennessee			
BRH-547	7-20-61	104.1	50kw	U	8-1 8-1-64
BRH-547	7-10-64	104.1 mcs.	50kw	U	8-1 8-1-67
BTC-4989 EFF: 12-31-65	12-30-65	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic. corp. by Mrs. Sally Person Pigford thru transfer of stock to George Harvey, Jr. and Mrs. Patty Harvey Proctor			
BRH-547	7-18-67	Renewal of License 8-1 8-1-70 Renewal of NDEA			
BRH-547 Ltr.	7-30-70 12-1-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA (L) 8-1-73 Trans: RCA BTF-20E1			
BLH-5339 HAAT: 640'	2-2-72	104.1mc. ERP: 50kw. (Main & Aux.) Lic. to use former main trans. for Aux. purposes only. 8-1-73			
EBSA	5-25-72				
SCA -1189	8-11-72	SCA	67 kilohertz		

Form BC 126

June 1954

CARD # 4

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed .....

Call letters ~~WTJS-TV~~ .....

Station location JACKSON, TENNESSEE .....

Name of licensee WTJS, INC. ....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BALH-1775 BASCA-545	12-20-72	VOL AL	EFF: 12-19-72		
BTC-7211	10-4-73	VOL. TC	EFF: 10-17-73		
BRH-547(L)	8-24-73	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			8-1-76
BRSCA-1189	8-24-73	RENEWAL OF SCA			
BALH-1992	7-9-74	VOL. ALI	EFF:		
BPH-9277	3-5-75	104.1MHz. ERP:	100kw(H&V)	MAXIMUM	
HAAT: 655'		(H&V) (L) CP chg ant, TPO & ERP			3-5-76
BSH-547(1)	12-2-75	ML to change SL and RC			
BPH-9277(1)	12-2-75	MP to change SL and RC			
COMTEL	11-24-75	POSTPONEMENT on air use	new call		1-1-76
BLH-6903(L)	2-26-76	Lic.(BPH-9277)-Changes,	Main antenna		8-1-76
BRH-547(S)	7-12-76	Renewal (Main & Aux)			8-1-79
BRSCA-1189		and SCA			
BRH-547(L)	7-12-76	Superseded to add Aux. trans			8-1-79
BRSCA-1189					
BPH-10718	11-2-77	104.1mhz. ERP: 100kw(h)			11-2-78
HAAT: 660' (h&v)		#281 (RC) 83kw(v)			
(L)		CP chg TPO; ERP; transmission line			
BRSA	3-8-78	Issued with new call			
BLH-7816	1-10-79	104.1MHz ERP: 100kW(H&V)			8-1-79
		TPO: 16kW HAAT: 660' (H&V)			
Lic. to cover (BPH10,718)		for changes			
BRH790402WV(S)	7-31-79	Renewal of License			8-1-82
		(Main & Aux.)			
BRSCA790402WV	"	Renewal of SCA			"
BPH800519AK	9-29-80	104.1mhz. ERP: 12.0kW			9-29-81
HAAT: 330' (L)		CP to install New Aux. Ant.; & chg TPO.			

# HIGH FREQUENCY (FM) APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WTJS - FM  
Letters -HWA-

Name THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

P.O. 104-106 West Baltimore, Jackson, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-PH-308 Recd. Filed	8-29-44	Construction permit for new high frequency FM broadcast station Frequency: 47,100 Kcs., Coverage: 13,400 Sq. Mi. Studio: 104-106 W. Baltimore, Jackson, Tenn. Transmitter: U.S. Highway No. 45, S. of Jackson, Tenn. (RCA FM-10-A Max. 10kw) Filed by Fred W. Albertson, Att'y. Letter recd. 9-19-45 in answer to Comm. letter of 9-7-45. Balance sheet submitted. List of Officers, Directors, & Stockholders submitted. (Metropolitan) Program analysis rec'd. 4-11-46	Granted	11-1-45
	9-2-44		for Met. type station -	
	9-2-44		Conditional-Type 1 letter mailed 11-7-45	
			Basic Engr. approved	
			8-15-46, - 1-9-47	
B3-TC-483 Rec'd.	3-18-46	Acquisition of control of permittee corp. by Mrs. Salley P. Pigford from Mrs. Sally P. Pigford, Executrix of the estate of C. E. Pigford, Deceased. (Filed by Clair A. Stout, Att'y.)	Program plans approved	
	3-25-46		8-15-46.	
			CP issued	2-11-47
			Granted	5-29-46

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George C. Davis, Engineer

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Action
				Date
B3-PH-308	Continued	Engr. info. recd. 12-4-46 changing type of transmitter; transmitter location; ERP & make changes in antenna system.		
BMPH-834 Rec'd Filed	9-13-47 9-16-47 9-16-47	Mod. of C. P. (B3-PH-308 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 10-11-47 to 1-1-48. Filed by Robert L. Irwin, Attorney	granted (granted 4-1-48)	9-25-47 for ext. to
BMPH-1607 Recd Filed	2-20-48 3-1-48 3-1-48	Mod. of C.P. (B3-PH-308 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 4-1-48 to 10-1-48. Filed by Robert Irwin, Att'y	GRANTED	3-9-48

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Letters **WTJS-FM**Name **THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPE-2554 Rec'd. Filed	9-1-48	Mod. of C. P. (B3-PH-308 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 10-1-48 to 4-1-49. Filed by Francis X. McDonough, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-48
	9-7-48			
	9-7-48			
BMPE-3289 Rec'd. Filed	3-2-49	Mod. of C. P. (B3-PH-308 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 4-1-49 to 6-1-49. Filed by Robt. L. Irwin, Atty.	GRANTED	3-14-49
	3-7-49			
	3-7-49			
BMPE-3323 Rec'd. Filed	3-2-49	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-308 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station to change ERP from 48 kw. to 50.4 kw. and make changes in the antenna system. Filed by Robert L. Irwin, Atty.	GRANTED	5-18-49
	3-7-49			
	3-7-49			
BMPE-3439 Rec'd. Filed	4-20-49	Mod. of C. P. (B3-PH-308 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 6-1-49 to 8-1-49. Filed by Robert L. Irwin, Atty.	GRANTED	5-10-49
	4-27-49			
	4-27-49			

Name THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-490 Rec'd. Filed	5-28-49 6-1-49 6-1-49	License to cover C. P. (BPH-308 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station. Filed by Robert L. Irwin, Atty.	GRANTED	9-27-49
BRH-547 Rec'd. Filed	9-23-50 9-27-50 9-27-50	Renewal of License. Filed by Robert L. Irwin, Atty.	GRANTED	11-22-50
BRH-547 Rec'd. Filed	8-27-51 8-31-51 8-31-51	Renewal of license. Filed by William P. Sims, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	11-21-51
BRH-547 Rec'd. Filed	4-25-52 4-29-52 4-29-52	Renewal of license Filed by Robert L. Irwin, Atty.	GRANTED	7-17-52
BRCH-82 Rec'd & Filed	3-30-54 4-5-54	301-A operation by remote control. Filed by Francis X. McDonough, atty.	GRANTED	4-12-54

FORM A-170  
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters **WTJS-FM**

Name **THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.**  
**JACKSON, TENNESSEE 39201**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-2018 Recd. & Filed	3-19-55	C. P. to make changes in licensed station to change frequency to 104.1 mcs. Ch. 281. Robert L. Irwin, atty Amend. recd. 3-28-55 re Section I Par. 1,2 change minimum hrs. to read 10.	GRANTED	5-13-55
	3-21-55			
BRH-547 Recd. " filed	4-28-55 5-2-55	Renewal of license Alfred Cordon, atty  amend. recd. 5-20-55 specifying freq. as 100.7 mcs.	<del>not carried forward</del> <del>frequency</del> granted	7-20-55
BLH-1059 Recd. & Filed	6-17-55 6-23-55	License to cover C. P. (BPH-2018 which author- ized changes in licensed station) J. Jacobs, atty Amend. recd. 6-30-55 correcting coordinates.	GRANTED	7-20-55
BRH-547 R & F	4/24/67 5/3/67	Renewal of license Atty: D. M. Redmond	GRANTED	7-18-67

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

Call  
Letters WTJS-FMName THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.  
Jackson, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-547 Rec'd. Filed	4-30-58 5-7-58 5-7-58	Renewal of license.  Al Cordon, Atty.	GRANTED	7-23-58
BRCH-215 Rec'd Filed	8-27-58 9-2-58 9-2-58	Modification of license to change Studio Location and Remote Control Point from 104-106 West Baltimore St., Jackson, Tenn., TO 255 West Lafayette Street, Jackson, Tenn.  Dow, Lohnes & Albertson, Attys.	GRANTED	9-8-58
BRH-547 Rec'd & Filed	4-14-61 5-3-61	Renewal of License John A. Rafter, atty.	GRANTED	7-20-61
BRH-547 R & F	4-27-64 5-4-64	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-10-64
ETC-1989 R & F (Form 316)	12-23-65 12-27-65	Daniel M. Redmond, Atty. Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic. corp. by Mrs. Sally Person Pigford thru transfer of stock to George Harvey, Jr. and Mrs. Patty Harvey Proctor Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED EPP:	12-30-65 12-31-65

Form DC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WTJS-FMName THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY  
JACKSON, TENN.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-547 Recd. \$75 #598698 PN Recd. PRESS	4-20-70 5-4-70 " " JUN 12 1970 8-17-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Daniel M. Redmond, Atty. AMENDED 6-26-70 re: change in management personnel	GRANTED	7-30-70
BLH-5339 R & F W 025777-\$50 AC-068 PTA PRESS	12-9-71 12-14-71 12-14-71 12-17-71 JAN 21 1972	Lic. to use former Main Transmitter(RCA,BTF- 10B) for Auxiliary Purposes only. 50kw TL redes: 122 Radio Road. Atty: Alan Campbell (Dov, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	2-2-72
BSCA-1,189 R & F #094208 \$50 Code 068 Press	7-21-72 7-25-72 7-25-72 AUG 8 - 1972	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authori- zation on a subcarrier frequency of 67kcs.  Atty: Suzanne Meyer	GRANTED	8-11-72

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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WTJS, INC.

Call  
Letters WTJS-FMName X THE SUN PUBLISHING COMPANY  
Jackson, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAIH-1775 BASCA-545 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #132796 CODE 054 (Form 316) ALSO SEE AM DEC 15 1972	11-28-72 11-30-72	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to WTJS, INC.  Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	12-20-72  EFF: 12-29-72
BRH-547 BRSCA-1,189 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 10 1973	3-29-73 " 4-11-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.) RENEWAL OF SCA Dominic Monahan, Atty.	GRANTED	8-24-73
BTC-7211 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 #518159 CODE 049 (ALSO SEE AM) AUG 6 1973	7-9-73 7-12-73	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Albert A. Stone, George Harvey, Jr. and Frank S. Proctor, under Power of Atty for Voting Trustees; to Kirk Broadcasting, Inc. AMENDED 8-30-73 to chge transferee to West Tennessee Broadcasters, Inc. Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson SEP 15 1973	GRANTED	10-4-73 EFF: 10-17-73 pd 063 10-26-73 245893

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

 104.1mhz  
 Call WKIR  
 Letters ~~W.T.J.S.M.~~

RADIO STATION WTJS, INC.

Name ~~WTJS, INC.~~

Jackson, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALH-1992 BASCA-633 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #303062 CODE 049 (Form 316) ALSO SEE AM  MAY 11 1974	4-15-74  4-16-74	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to RADIO STATION WTJS, INC.  Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED EFF:	7-9-74
BPH- Rec'd #340846 \$50 Code 057 Press	8-22-74 8-29-74 9-4-74  SEP 13 1974	CP to install new ant. (RCA BFC-10B, 10 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (inc. hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 100KW(H) 72KW(V) and HAAT: 655' (H&V).  Atty: Dominic Monahan (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	RETURNED Sect. 73.213 of Comm. Rules.	9-11-74
BPH-9277 R & F #340846 \$50 Code 057 PRESS	12-12-74 12-13-74 12-13-74  JAN 10 1975	CP to install new antenna (RCA-BFC-8B1); make changes in antenna system (incr. hght.); chg. TPO; change ERP: 100kw (H&V) (maximum) Atty: Dominic Monahan      Engr: Robert A. Jones	GRANTED CONDITION	3-5-75

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters **WKIR**

Name **RADIO STATION WTJS, INC.**  
**Jackson, Tennessee**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-6903 Rec'd 492834 \$100. Amended & F12-9-75 PTA PRESS	10-23-75 10-30-75 001-10-31-75 12-16-75 DEC 29 1975	Lic.(BPH-9277, as mod.)-Changes, Main ant. Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson(D. Monahan) Engr. data	GRANTED	2-26-76
BRH-547 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-23-76 4-1-76 " JUN 2 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.)	GRANTED	7-12-76
BRSCA-1189 R & F	4-9-76 4-14-76	Renewal of SCA Atty.: Kevin F. Reed		
BPH-10718 R&F	9-21-77 9-26-77	CP chg TPO; ERP (100kw (H) 82.8kw(V) & Transmission Line  Atty. J. Dominic Monahan Engr. Carl Martin	ACCEPTED & GRANTED Cond'L (max. (h&v) ERP direction 119° shall not exceed 50 kw.	11-2-77

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

104.1MHz

Call  
Letters

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Name RADIO STATION WTJS, INC.  
Jackson, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-7816 R & F PTA: PRESS:	3-16-78 3-21-78 3-27-78 OCT 4 1978	License to cover (BPH-10718) for changes. Trans: RCA, BTF-20E1 Atty: J. Dominic Monahan (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	1-10-79
BRH-790402WV BRSCA PRESS MAY 16 1979		Renewal of License & SCA (Main & Aux. Trans.) Atty: J. Dominic Monahan (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRATED	7-31-79

## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

104.1MHz.

Call Letters: W K I R

Name: RADIO STATION WTJS, INC.

Station Location: JACKSON, TENNESSEE

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPH800519AK PRESS (O)	JUN 17 1980	CP to install a New Auxiliary Ant. (COLLINS 37 M-3, 3 sects. H) on Present Tower Structure, to be operated on: ERP: 12.15kw (H); HAAT: 326' (H) & chg. TPO. (FOR AUXILIARY PURPOSES ONLY).  Atty. J. Dominic Monahan (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED 9-29-80
BLH-810413AG PTA PRESS	APR 22 1981	License to cover (BPH-800519AK) for changes.  Atty: J. Dominic Monahan	GRANTED 8-19-81

## 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 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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 radio station history.

