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June 1954

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-9-61

W I T L (Ltr. 4-16-64)  
Call letters X W M R T

Station location Lansing, Michigan

METROPOLITAN RADIO CORPORATION (AL 5-29-62, FFF: 6-24-62)

Name of licensee \*HERBERT T. GRAHAM

3200 Pine Tree Road, Lansing, Michigan (Redescription)

x Pine Tree Rd., 0.45 mi. S. of Jolly Rd., Delhi, Michigan (BP 11-21-69) L-10-9-61

3300 Collins Road, Lansing, Michigan (redescrip L 10-9-61) 2-27-61

x West of Collins Road, 9.5 miles south of Forest Rd. nr. Lansing, Mich MP/

Transmitter location \* Ruth Ave. and E. Irvington Ave., Lansing Township, Michigan (BP 11-8-60)

Same as transmitter (BP 11-21-69) & Ltr. 3-30-71)

x 150 W. Allegan, Lansing, Michigan (L 10-9-61)

x Michigan National Bank Bldg., Lansing, Mich. (BMP 2-27-61) L 10-9-61

Main studio location x To be determined, Lansing, Michigan (BP 11-8-60)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-12526	11-8-60	1010kc	500w-DA-Day	1-8	7-8-61
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1)				
BP-12526 (1)	2-9-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12526) to assign Call Letters.			
EMP-9246 (2)	2-27-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12526) to change antenna trans. loc., change type trans. & specify studio location.			
BL-8547	10-9-61	1010kc	500w-DA-Day	10-9	10-1-64
	Lic. to cover construction permit(BP-12526 as mod.) which auth. a new standard broadcast station.				
RAL-4463 EFF	5-29-62 6-24-62	Voluntary assignment of license to Metropolitan Radio Corporation.			
BTC-4440 Eff:	3-25-64 4-11-64	Voluntary transfer of control of license corp. from Luke Walton, Adelaide R. Walton J. William Adams and Lawrence E. Morris to William R. Walker, Joseph D. Mackin Charles D. Mefford, Philip Fisher, Stokes Gresham, Jr., et al			
BR-3998	9-14-64	1010kc.	500w	Day DA-D	10-1 10-1-67
BZ-5572	7-12-65	1010kc	500w-DA-D	Day	7-12 10-1-67
	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power				
BP-17065	3-2-66	1010kc	500w-DA-D	Day	5-2 11-2-66
	CP to make changes in the directional antenna pattern. (Cond'1)				
BL-11,287	7-14-66	1010kc	500w-DA-D	Day	7-14 10-1-67
	Lic to cover CP(BP-17,065) which auth chg. in DA pattern.				
BR-3998	9-8-67	Renewal of License			10-1 10-1-70
BP-18626	11-21-69	1010kc	500w-DA-D	Day	7-21-70
	CP to chg. ant. trans. & studio loc., make changes in antenna system (increase height), chg. trans. and make changes in MCOV.				
EMP-12,957 (2)	4-10-70	Mod. of CP(BP-18,626) to permit side-mounting the FM antenna on the #1 tower of the Hill array			

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Station location Lansing, Michigan

Name of licensee METROPOLITAN RADIO CORPORATION

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-18,893	10-12-70	1010kc	500w DA	Day	10-12-71
		CP to replace expired permit.			
BR-3998(S)	9-30-70	Renewal			10-1-73
Comtel	4-7-71	Relocate studios at new TL			to 7-7-71
BS-3998(1)	5-18-71	ML	redescribe studio location		
BP-18893(1)	5-18-71	CP	redescribe TL & SL		
BMP-13,298(2)	10-8-71	MP(BP-18,893)	ext. time to		12-12-71
BMP-13,339	(3) 12-22-71	MP(BP-18,893)	ext. time to		1-12-72
EBSA	6-12-72				
BL-13,159(L)	9-12-73	Lic(BP-18,893)	for changes		10-1-73
BR-3998(L)	9-27-73	RENEWAL			10-1-76
BR-3998(L)	6-30-77	Renewal & Modification			10-1-79
BS*3998(1)	5-31-78	ML waiver Sec. 73.114(a)(8)	re 30		day monitor point meas. with approved sample sys
BR 790601	BG 9-21-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			10-1-82



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters new W M R TName HERBERT T. GRAHAM  
(P.O. Box 965, 4215 Glenwood Ave., Lansing 4, Mich.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-9246	11-22-60	Modification of construction permit (BP-12,526, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change antenna-trans. location from Ruth Ave. and E. Irvington Ave., Lansing Township, Michigan to West of Collins Rd., $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of Forest Rd., near Lansing, Michigan; change type transmitter (Collins 550A) & specify studio location (undetermined) as Michigan National Bank Bldg., Lansing, Michigan. Atty's: <u>Barnes &amp; Neilson</u>	GRANTED	2-27-61
R & F	11-23-60			
BMP-9538	5-29-61	Modification of CP(BP-12,526 as mod. which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension completion date from 7-8-61 to 9-8-61. Barnes and Neilson, Atty's.	DISMISSED	6-29-61 as unnecessary (Progr. tests auth 6-19-61)
Rec'd & Filed	5-31-61			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-8547 R & F	6-7-61 6-9-61	Lic. to cover CP(BP-12,526) as mod. for a new standard broadcast station.  Att - Barnes & Neilson	GRANTED	10-9-61
BP-15, 142 Rec'd Filed	10-12-61 10-16-61 10-16-61	CP to increase power from 500w to 1kw and install new transmitter(Collins 20-V)  Atty. Barnes and Neilson Eng. Jules Cohen	DISMISSED	9-28-62 per Sec. 1.312b

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METROPOLITAN RADIO CORPORATION

Name  HERBERT T. GRAHAM  
LANSING, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-4463 Rec'd Filed	2-23-62 2-28-62 2-28-62	Voluntary assignment of license to Metropolitan Radio Corporation.  Maurice R. Barnes, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	5-29-62 6-24-62
BTC-1440 R. & F.	11-16-63 12-9-63	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Luke Walton, Adelaide R. Walton, J. William Adams and Lawrence E. Morris to William R. Walker, Joseph D. Mackin, Charles D. Mefford, Philip Fisher, Stokes Gresham, Jr. et al. Atty- Fisher, Wayland, DuVall and Southmayd	GRANTED EFF	3-25-64 4-11-64

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3998 Rec'd Filed	6-29-64 7-6-64 7-6-64	Renewal of license  Atty. Ben C. Fisher	GRANTED	9-14-64
BZ-5572 R & F	12-11-64 12-14-64	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty. Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd	GRANTED	7-12-65
BP-17,065 R. & F.	11-8-65 11-15-65	CP to make changes in the Directional Antenna Pattern. Atty: Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd Engr: Charles E. Brennan	GRANTED Cond'l re: Field meas. equip. & complete non-DA proof.	3-2-66 Phase Mon.,
BL-11,287 R & F	11/9/65 11/16/65	Lic. to cover CP (BP-17,065) which auth. chn. in DA-pattern. Attys: Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd	GRANTED	7-14-66

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3998 R & F	6-23-67 7-3-67	Renewal of license Atty- Ben C. Fisher	GRANTED	9-8-67
<b>JUL 18 1967</b>				
BP-18,626 R & F \$30 #534942	8-9-69 8-11-69 8-11-69	CP to change antenna-transmitter and main studio location to Pine Tree Rd., 0.45 mi. S. of Jolly Rd., Delhi, Michigan, make changes in antenna system (increase height), change trans. to Collins 820-D-J and make changes in WPOV.	GRANTED	11-21-69
<b>SEP 9 1969</b> BMP-12,957 R & F #588040 \$30	3-20-70 3-25-70 3-25-70	Mod. of CP(BP-18,626) to permit side-mounting the FM antenna on the #1 tower of the WITL array. Atty: Martin R. Leader	GRANTED	4-10-70
<b>APR 10 1970</b>				

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3998 R & F #614323 \$75. P.N.	7-1-70 7-6-70 7-6-70 AUG 17 1970	Renewal of License Atty: Martin R. Leader AMENDED 9-9-70 re: commercial practices	GRANTED	9-30-70
BP-18,893 R & F \$50-630055 AC-056	9-9-70 9-14-70 9-14-70 OCT 6 1970	CP to replace expired permit (BP-18,626) for changes. Atty: Fisher, Wayland, DuVall, Southmayd & Cooper	GRANTED	10-12-70
10-2-70 Annual fee \$48.00 deducted from \$75.00 Renewal filing fee. \$27.00 Credited to 1971.				
BMP-13,298 R & F \$50-003741 AC-067	8-31-71 9-13-71 9-13-71 SEP 6 1971	MP(BP-18,893) for extension of completion date to 12-12-71 (changes) Atty: Fisher, Wayland, DuVall, Southmayd & Cooper	GRANTED to	10-8-71 12-12-71

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BMP-13,339 R & F \$50-023355 AC-067 DEC 20 1971	12-3-71 12-6-71 12-6-71	MP(BP-18,893, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 1-12-72 (changes) Atty: John D. Pellegrin	GRANTED to	12-22-71 1-12-72
BL-13,159 Reo'd & F W 028483-\$50 AC-067 PTA PRESS Amended	12-22-71 12-29-71 12-29-71 1-24-72 FEB 18 1972 12-14-72	Lic.(BP-18,893, as mod.) for changes. TL redes: 3200 Pine Tree Rd., 1/2 mi. S. of Lansing City Limits. Atty: John D. Pellegrin(Fisher, Wayland, etc.) new 302 & engr. exh.	GRANTED	9-12-73
BR-3998 R & F P.N. PRESS	6-25-73 7-2-73 7-2-73 6 AUG 1973	Renewal of License Atty.: Richard R. Zaragoza	GRANTED	9-27-73

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3998 R & F P.N. PRESS AUG 5 1976	5-20-76 5-28-76 5-28-76	Renewal of License Atty.: Richard R. Zaragoza AMENDED 8-31-76 re: programming	Granted	6-30-77
BR790601BG PRESS AUG 14 1978		Renewal of License Atty. Kathryn R. Schmeltzer	GRANTED	9-21-79

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

