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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 1-26-48

Call letters W.B.M.D.

LOCATION: BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Name of licensee KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

5200 Moravia Road, Baltimore, Md. (Resescription 8-20-69)

Transmitter location x 2901 Moravia Road, Baltimore, Maryland. (CP & MP 8-21-47)(Lic. 1-26-48)

5200 Moravia Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21206 (Ltr. 8-20-69

x 21 West Chase Street, Baltimore, Maryland (BRC 1-17-62)

x 79 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Md. (Tel. Eff. 10-22-51)

ZIP 21201 x 2 West Eager Street, Baltimore, Maryland (Lic. 1-26-48)

Main studio location x 1027 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland. (CP & MP 8-21-47)

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
Order BI-P-4713	) 4-25-47) Subj. filing MP for approval T site and antenna	750	1kw	Day	
BI-P-4713 BMP-2880	8-21-47 Mod. CP (4713) for approval of antenna and T site and specify studio site.	750	1kw	Daytime	10-21 4-21-48
BI-P-4713 BMP-2880	12-2-47 on WBAL.	Mod. CP to change SR & SS data per memo			
Telegram	2-6-48 3:30 am to 4:30 am, EST, February 8, 1948, in order to broadcast special DX program, only.	STA to operate additional time from			
BL-2858 BZ-2711	1-26-48 Lic. to cover CP (4713 as mod) for a new station and change studio site and determine operating power by direct method.	750	1kw	Daytime	1-26 11-1-49
BR-1823	10-21-49	750	1kw	Daytime	11-1 11-1-52
BR-1823	10-15-52	750kw	1kw	Daytime	11-1 10-1-54
BRC-352 (1)	4-9-54 from 879	Mod. of lic. to operate trans. by R.C. Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland			
BP-9412	8-20-54 CP to install aux. transmitter	750kw	250w	AUX	10-20-54 4-20-55
BR-1823	9-15-54	750	1kw	Daytime	10-1 10-1-57
BRC-558 (1)	10-21-54 Auxiliary transmitter by remote control from 879 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland	Modification of license to operate			
BL-5429	10-1-54 Lic. cover CP (BP-9412) auth. installation of a new trans. for aux. trans.	750	250w	Aux.	10-1 10-1-57
BR-1823	9-5-57	Renewal of license (MAIN)			10-1 10-1-60
BR-1823	9-5-57	750 kc.	.25 kw.	Auxiliary	10-1 10-1-60
BR-1823	9-20-60	RENEWAL OF LICENSES MAIN & AUXILIARY			10-1 10-1-63
BRC-1977 (1)	1-17-62	Mod. of Lic. to chg. studio & RC point loc. (Main)			
BR-1823	9-13-63	750kc	1kw 250w	Day Aux to	10-1 10-1-66 10-1-66

AUX. CANCELLED

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

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Station location .....

Name of licensee See Card #1

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-16438	12-11-64	750kc	1kw	Day	2-11 8-11-65
	CP to install an alternate-main transmitter (RCA BTA-1R1) at main transmitter, to be operated on 750kc, 1kw, Daytime.				
BRC-2589 (1)	1-12-65	Mod. of CP16438 to operate transmitter by Remote Control. (alt. main)			
BMP-11584 (2)	9-10-65	Mod. of CP(BP-16,438, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 10-30-65.			
BL-11,171	1-7-66	750kc	1kw	(Alt. Main)	1-7 10-1-66
	Lic to cover CP(BP-16,438 as mod) which auth install alt-main trans with RC				
BR-1823	3-17-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			3-17 10-1-69
	MAIN & ALTERNATE MAIN				3-17 10-1-69
BZ-6655 (1)	11-6-67 (Main)	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.			
BZ-6656 (1) ltr.	11-6-67 (Alt. M) 8-20-69	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power. Studio & RC: 5200 Moravia Rd., Balti.			
BR-1823(L)	9-25-69	Renewal of Main & Alt Main			10-1-72
BZ-7880(L)	11-1-71	Direct Meas.(Main & Alt.Main) 750kc	1kw	RC	Day 10-1-72
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-1823(S)	10-27-72	RENEWAL OF MAIN & ALT. M.			10-1-75
BZ-8366(L)	7-19-73	Direct Measurement (Main & Aux.)			10-1-75
BS-1823(L)	9-19-73	ML chg. transmitters (Main & Aux.) 750khz	1kw	Day	10-1-75
Ltr. received 9-24-73 stating that a CCA,AM-1000D (Main transmitter)is installed and that a RCA, BTA-1R (Auxiliary transmitter).is installed.					
BTC-7803	10/8/75	Vol TC EFF: 10/8/75			
BR-1823(S)	8-24-76	Renewal of License (Main * Aux.			10-1-78
BRC-3991 (1)	3-7-78	ML to operate trans by RC from the Trans-studio location.			

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BC-126
June 1975

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 1-26-48

Call letters W B M D

Station location BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Name of licensee KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
BR-1823	9-14-78	(L) REN.	OF LIC.	(MAIN & AUX.)	10-1-81

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters x New W B M D

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
(P.O. 1031 Cathedral Street, Baltimore 1, Maryland)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action: Nature	Action: Date
B1-P-4713 Rec'd Filed	4-4-46 4-8-46 4-8-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: ~~1000 kc.~~ 750 kc. Power: 1kw Hours of Operation: Daytime only. Trans. Location: To be determined - Baltimore, Maryland. Studio Location: To be determined - Baltimore, Maryland (Filed by Sydney V. Smith, Atty.; John J. Keel, Engr.)	B-342, Docket No. 7551 GRANTED Hearing, subj. filing MP approval T site and Antenna - Decision and Order issued Issued with MP 2880	4-25-47 after
Amended Rec'd Filed	5-20-46 5-21-46 5-31-46	To change frequency from 1050 kc to 750 kc. (John J. Keel, Engr.)		

RCA BTA-1L Transmitter

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters WBMD

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-2880 Rec'd Filed	6-24-47 6-24-47 6-24-47	Mod. of C.P. (BlMP-4713, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna and transmitter location at 2901 Moravia Road, Baltimore, Maryland, and to specify studio location as 1027 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Md. (Sidney V. Smith, Atty.; John J. Keel, Engr.)	GRANTED	8-21-47

Form 94

#3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WBMD

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-2858 Rec'd Filed	12-4-47 12-5-47 12-5-47	License to cover C.P. (B1-P-4713, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and change studio location from: 1027 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland in 2 West Eager Street, Baltimore, Maryland.	GRANTED	1-26-48
		and		
BZ-2711 Rec'd Filed	12-4-47 12-5-47 12-5-47	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.		
		(Sidney V. Smith, Atty. John J. Keel, Engr.)		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action: Nature	Action: Date
BP-6950 Rec'd Filed	9-27-48 9-27-48 9-29-48	Construction Permit to change frequency from 750kc to 1400kc., decrease power from 1kw to 250w, change hours of operation from Daytime to unlimited, install a new transmitter (RCA BTA-250L), make changes in the vertical antenna and change transmitter location from 2901 Moravia Road, Baltimore, Maryland to To be determined, Baltimore, Maryland. Contingent on WCEM vacating 1400kc. (Filed by Sidney V. Smith, Atty.; John J. Keel, Engr.)	Petition for consolidation with P-5856 & P-6674 Denied and pursuant Sec. 1.387(b) (3) application dismissed 10-27-48 subj. to refiling after a decision is rendered in the matter of BP-5856 or it is otherwise disposed of. ORDER ISSUED. PET. FILED 11-1-48 by SIDNEY SMITH FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION OF 10-27-48	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1823 Rec'd	8-24-49 8-25-49	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	10-21-49
BR-1823 Rec'd Filed	7-28-52 7-30-52 7-30-52	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10-15-52
BRC-352 Rec'd Filed	3-26-54 3-29-54 3-29-54	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 879 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.	GRANTED	4-9-54
BR-1823 Rec'd Filed	6-22-54 6-25-54 6-25-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	9-15-54
BP-9412 Rec'd Filed	8-2-54 8-3-54 8-3-54	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (Gates BCA-250) as an auxiliary transmitter at 2901 Moravia Rd., Baltimore, Md. (present location of the main transmitter) to be operated on 750kc with power of 250w, for auxiliary purposes only.	GRANTED	8-20-54

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-5429 Rec'd Filed	8-24-54 8-25-54 8-25-54	License to cover construction permit (BP-9412) which authorized installation of a new transmitter to be used as an auxiliary transmitter.	GRANTED	10-1-54
BRC-558 Rec'd Filed	10-18-54 10-19-54 10-19-54	Modification of license to operate Auxiliary transmitter by remote control from 879 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.	GRANTED	10-21-54
BR-1823 Rec'd Filed	6-20-57 6-21-57 6-21-57	Renewal of License. (MAIN)	GRANTED	9-5-57
BR-1823 Rec'd Filed	6-25-57 6-26-57 6-26-57	Renewal of License. (AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	9-5-57
~~BR-1829~~ ~~Rec'd~~ ~~Filed~~	~~6-29-60~~ ~~7-1-60~~ ~~[illegible]~~	~~Renewal of License (Auxiliary)~~	~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~	

FORM BC-121 #7
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Baltimore, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1823 Rec'd Filed	6-29-60 7-1-60 7-1-60	Renewal of license (Main)	GRANTED	9-20-60
BR-1823 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	6-29-60 7-1-60 8-18-60 8-25-60 8-25-60	Renewal of License (Auxiliary Transmitter)	RETURNED Signed by GRANTED	8-12-60 Chief Eng. 9-20-60
BRC-1977 R & F	1-10-62 1-12-61	Modification of license to change studio location and remote control point to 21 West Chase Street, Baltimore, Maryland (Main).	GRANTED	1-17-62
BR-1823 R & F	6-27-63 7-1-63	Renewal of License (Main and Auxiliary)	GRANTED	9-13-63
BP-16,438 R. & F.	11-9-64 11-10-64	CP to install an alternate- main transmitter (RCA BTA-1R1) at main transmitter location, to be operated on 750kc, 1kw. daytime.	GRANTED	12-11-64

FORM BC-121 #8
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W B M D

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Baltimore, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRC-2589 Rec'd Filed	12-14-64 12-17-64 12-31-64	Mod. of CP (BP-16,438) to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 21 West Chase Street, Baltimore, Maryland (ALTERNATE MAIN)	GRANTED	1-12-65
BMP-11,584 Rec'd. Filed	8-5-65 8-6-65 8-13-65	Mod. of C.P.(BP-16,438,as mod.which auth. install alt.main trans.(RCA BTA-1R1) at main trans.loc.and opr.by remote control) for extension of completion date from 8-11-65 to 9-30-65.	GRANTED	9-10-65 to 10-30-65
BL-11,171 R & F	11/11/65 11/12/65	Lic. to cover CP (BP-16438 as mod.) which auth. install alt-main trans. with remote control.	GRANTED	1-7-66
BR-1823 R & F	6-17-66 6-20-66	Renewal of license (MAIN & ALT. MAIN)	GRANTED	3-13-67

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WBMD

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Baltimore, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BZ-6655 R & F DM-10-18-67	10-5-67 10-12-67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of ant. power. (Main) Atty: L. Colby-Engr: Paul L. Wimmer, D.C.	GRANTED	11-6-67
BZ-6656 R & F DM-10-27-67 2 NOV 1967	10-12-67 10-17-67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of ant. power. (Alt.-Main) Atty: L. Colby-Engr: P. L. Wimmer, D.C.	GRANTED	11-6-67
BR-1823 R & F #524983 $75. BR-1823 R & F #526579 $30. P.N. filed PRESS JUL 16 1969 DM	6-25-69 6-26-69 6-26-69 6-25-69 7-7-69 7-7-69 6-26-69 9-10-71	Renewal of License (Main) Atty: Lauren Colby Renewal of License (Alt.-Main) AMENDED 8-12-69 re: Programming	GRANTED	9-25-69

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WBMD

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Baltimore, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
	9-23-70	Annual license fee paid $72.00 #631942		
BZ-7880 Rec'd Amended & F DM PRESS OCT 28 1971	8-13-71 8-13-71 9-9-71 9-10-71	Direct Measurement (Main & Alternate-Main) Main Trans: RCA, BTA-1L1. Engr. data Atty: Colby & Tarrant	GRANTED	11-1-71
BR-1823 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUL 5 1972	6-23-72 6-27-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTERNATE MAIN) Lauren A. Colby, Atty. AMENDED 11-21-74 re: stocks & stockholders	GRANTED	10-27-72
BZ-8366 R & F DM PRESS 6-12-73	6-12-73 6-14-73 6-26-73	Direct Measurement (main & aux)	GRANTED	7-19-73

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September 1969

750 kc

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WBMD

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1823 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUN 19 1975	5-29-75 6-2-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTERNATE MAIN) AMENDED 7-7-75 re: to reflect transfer of control	GRANTED	8-24-76
BTC-7803 R & F FEE PD $200 # 444324 CODE 047 (ALSO SEE WKTK (FM) & WPTX) 22 JUL 1975 PN filed PN filed	6-30-75 6-30-75 8/5/75 8/22/75	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from George E. Hull, George J. Roche, William R. Burrier, et al (original stockholders) to Emory R. Hull, George H. Hull, and John P. Hull, Personal Representatives of the Estate of George E. Hull (deceased), George J. Roche, S. Elmer Parks et al Atty - Lauren A. Colby	GRANTED EFF: no fee	10/8/75 10/8/75

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750khz.

Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W B M D

Name KEY BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Baltimore, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRC-3991 R & F PRESS: MAR 6 1978	2-17-78 2-22-78	ML to operate transmitter by RC from the Transmitter-Studio location at: 5200 Moravia Rd., Baltimore, Maryland (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Lauren A. Colby	GRANTED	3-7-78
BR-1823 R & F PRESS	5-22-78 5-26-78 JUN 9 1979	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Lauren A. Colby, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-78
BR810601ZK PRESS AUG 10 1981		Renewal of License Atty.: Lauren A. Colby	GRANTED	10-22-81

RECORD OF DENIAL OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS - W B M D

Telegram 10-21-48 to applicant advising that request fo r STA to broadcast Redskins football games , not considered in accordance Sec. 1.324 of the Rules

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 one set is known to 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.