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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-2-57 Call letters W K E N

Station Location: Dover, Delaware

Name of licensee
CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP. (BAL 10-31-62 EFF: 1-22-63)
XCOASTAL CAROLINA BROADCASTING CORPORATION (AL 12-18-57) EFF: 1-23-58
x WKEN, INC. (AP 10-22-56) EFF: 10-26-56)
x THE CHESAPEAKE BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location
South Fox Hall Rd., near Kenton Rd., near Dover, Delaware (BMP 11-2-67)
X McKee Road, 2 mi. NW of Dover, Delaware (BP 5-9-67)
X Salisbury Rd., 500 ft. north of Hartly Rd.
Adjacent to Dover, Delaware (CP 4-4-56)

Main studio location
Same as transmitter.
X Treadway Inn (per BR 7-29-66
~~Dover Hotel~~, Lockerman St., Dover, Delaware (MP 11-16-56)
x Salisbury Rd., 500 ft. north of Hartly Rd.
Adjacent to Dover, Delaware (CP 4-4-56)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BP-10225	4-4-56	1600	500w	Day	6-4 12-4-56
C.P.	for a new Standard Broadcast Station				
BAP-306 EFF:	10-22-56 10-26-56	Voluntary assignment of C.P. to WKEN, INC.			
BMP-7431, BMP-7432	11-16-56	1600kc	500w	Day	6-4-56 4-4-57
	Mods. of CP(10225) for extension of completion date to 4-4-57; change studio location, and opr. trans. by remote control from studio location				
BMP-7569 (1)	3-21-57	Mod. of CP(10,225, as mod.) for extension of completion date to June 4, 1957.			
BL-6582	8-2-57	1600kc	500w	Day	8-2 8-1-60
	License to cover construction permit (BP-10,225, as Mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.				
BAL-2871 EFF:	12-18-57 1-23-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Coastal Carolina Broadcasting Corporation			
BZ-4105	4-3-59	1600kc	500w	Day	4-3 8-1-60
	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.				
BR-3474	7-7-60	1600kc.	500w	Day	8-1 8-1-63
BAL-4597 EFF	10-31-62 1-22-63	Voluntary assignment of license to Capitol Broadcasting Corp.			
BR-3474	7-31-63	1600kc	500w	Day	8-1 8-1-66
BR-3474	7-29-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1 8-1-69
BP-16903	5-9-67	1600kc	1kw,500w-DA-N U		7-9 1-9-68
	CP to change hours of operation to Unlimited, using power of 1kw, 500w-LS, install Directional Antenna system nighttime, change antenna-trans. loc., and install new transmitter (GATES BC-1G). (Remote control daytime only). Cond'l.				
BMP-12150	11-2-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,903) to change ant.-trans. & studio loc. & delete remote control.			
	(Cond'l)	1600kc	1kw,500w-DA-N U		7-9 1-9-68
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BMP-12278 (1)	2-14-68	Mod. of CP(BP-16,903, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to			7-9-68

Form BC 126 #2
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ...WKEN.....

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BMP-124436 (2)	7-18-68	MP(BP-16,903)	ext. time		10-1-68
BMP-12546(3)	11-8-68	MP(BP-16,903)	ext. time		1-1-69
BMP-12624(4)	1-27-69	MP(BP-16,903)	ext. time		2-28-69
BMP-12649(L)	2-19-69	MP(BP-16,903) to make changes in DA system.			3-28-69
BL-12,311(L)	5-12-69	Lic.(BP-16,903 as mod.)for chgs.			8-1-69
BP-18534	4-29-69	1600kc	500w-DA-N	Aux.	12-29-69
	CP to install an aux. trans. at new main trans. loc., to be oper. on 1600kc, 500w, DA-N, for auxiliary purposes only.				
BR-3474(S)	7-24-69	Renewal & NDEA			8-1-72
BL-12,496	2-13-70	Lic.(BP-18,534) to install Auxiliary Transmitter.			8-1-72
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-3474(L)	11-10-72	RENEWAL MAIN & AUX.			8-1-75
BS-3474(L)	8-6-74	ML to replace antenna monitor 1600khz 1kwN,500wD, DA-N 500w DA-N Aux.			8-1-75
TELEGRAM	2-25-76	PSA	478 watts		
BP-20024	11-10-76	CP inc. day power, install DA-2, chg. trans. 1600khz 1kw, 5kw-LS DA-2 U			
COMTEL	1-10-78	Obstruction markings in accordance with Par. 1,2, and 21.			
BP-21.066 (L)	2-16-78	1600khz. 1kw, 5kw-LS DA-2, Un. 8-1-78 CP replace expried permit (BP-20024)			
BL-14,484	11-26-79	1600kHz 1kW, 5kW DA-2 U			8-1-81
BR-3474 BZ-9453	Lic. (BP-21,066) for chgs. (L)				

FORM BC-121
FORMERLY FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~New~~ WKEN

Name THE CHESAPEAKE BROADCASTING CORPORATION
PO % Jason T. Pate, PO Box 97, Havre de Grace, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-10,225 Rec'd Filed	11-22-55 11-23-55 11-23-55	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1600kc Power: 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: Salisbury Rd, 500 ft. N. of Hartly Road, Adjacent to Dover, Delaware Studio Location: Same Dow, Lohnes and Albertson, Attys. Walter L. Davis, Engr.	GRANTED	4-4-56

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

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FORM BC-121 #2

FORMERLY FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name WKEN, INC. (AP 10-22-56, Eff.
xTHE CHESAPEAKE BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Dover, Delaware

Call Letters WKEN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAP-306 Rec'd Filed	9-24-56 10-5-56 10-5-56	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to W K E N, INC. John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	10-22-56 10-26-56
BMP-7431 Rec'd Filed	10-26-56 11-2-56 11-2-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,225, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 12-4-56 to 6-4-57. John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED	11-16-56
BMP-7432 Rec'd Filed	10-26-56 11-2-56 11-2-56	Modification of construction permit(BP-10,225, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change studio location from Salisbury Rd., 500 ft. north of Hartly Road, Dover, Delaware, to Dover Hotel, Lockerman St., Dover, Delaware and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location. John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED	11-16-56

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name W K E N, INC.

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-7569 Rec'd Filed	2-26-57 2-28-57 2-28-57	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,225 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 4-4-57 to 6-4-57). Atty's: Dow, Lohnes and Albertson	GRANTED	3-21-57
BL-6582 Rec'd Filed	3-23-57 3-25-57 3-25-57	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-10,225 as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. Atty's: Dow, Lohnes and Albertson.	GRANTED	8-2-57
BAL-2871 Rec'd Filed	11-20-57 11-21-57 11-21-57	Voluntary assignment of license to Coastal Carolina Broadcasting Corporation. Atty.: John F. Clagett	GRANTED EFF:	12-18-57 1-23-58

PROTEST AND PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 1-15-58 by Marks for WDOV*

JOINT OPPOSITION TO "PROTEST AND PET. FOR RECONSIDERATION" filed 1-27-58 by Wall and Clagett for Assignor and Assignee *DISMISSED 2-12-58 - Memo Opinion & Order Issued

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP.
X COASTAL CAROLINA BROADCASTING CORPORATION
DOVER, DELAWARE

Call Letters WKEN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BZ-4105 R & F	1-15-59 1-19-59	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	4-3-59
BR-3474 Rec'd Filed	5-15-60 5-26-60 5-26-60	Renewal of License. John F. Clagett, Atty.	GRANTED	7-7-60
BAL-4597 Rec'd Filed	8-10-62 8-16-62 8-16-62	Voluntary assignment of license to Capitol Broadcasting Corp. Benedict P. Cottone, Atty.	GRANTED: EFF:	10-31-62 1-22-63
BR-3474 R & F	4-29-63 5-1-63	Renewal of license Atty. Benedict P. Cottone	GRANTED	7-31-63
BR-3474 R & F	4-28-66 5-3-66	Renewal of license Atty - Cottone and Fanelli	GRANTED	7-29-66

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1600kc

Call Letters WKEN

Name Capitol Broadcasting Corp.
Dover, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-16,903 R. & F.	9-2-65 9-3-65	CP to change hours of operation from Daytime to Unlimited, using power of 1kw, 500w-LS, install Directional Antenna system Nighttime, change antenna-trans. loc to McKee Road, 2 mi. NW of Dover, Delaware, and install new transmitter (Gates BC-1G). (Remote control daytime only). PETITION FOR WAIVER OF RULE 73.24(b)(3)(ii) AND FOR OTHER RELIEF (TO THE COMMISSION) Atty: Cottone and Fanelli Engr: Jules Cohen & Assoc. Waiver granted; application accepted for filing by Comm action 1-18-67.	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & non-DA proof. Pre-sunrise operation.	5-9-67
BMP-12,150 R & F AUG 31 1967	8-10-67 8-15-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,903 which auth chg. hours of operation, chg. power, install DA-N; chg ant-trans loc, install new trans) to change ant-trans ~~xxx~~ & studio loc to South Fox Hall Road, near Kenton Road, Near Dover, Delaware. Atty. Cottone & Fanelli Engr. Jules Cohen & Associates	GRANTED Cond'l re: Any pre-sunrise oper. must conform with Sects. 73.87 & 73.99 of the Rules.	11-2-67

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

FORM BC-121 #6
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1600kc

Call Letters WKEN

Name CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP.
Dover, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-12,278 R. & F. FEB 2 1968	1-4-68 1-5-68	Mod. of CP(BP-16,903, as mod., which auth. chg hrs of oper to Un, install DA-N, chg ant-trans & studio loc., and install new trans.) for ext. of completion date from 1-9-68 to 7-9-68. atty-Cottone and Fanelli	GRANTED	2-14-68
BMP-12,443 R.&F. #439412 $30 JUL 5 1968	6-25-68 6-26-68 6-26-68	Mod. of CP(BP-16,903 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 10-1-68. Atty-Cottone & Fanelli	GRANTED to	7-18-68 10-1-68
BMP-12,546 R & F $30-462518 PRESS: NOV 5 1968	9-25-68 10-1-68 10-1-68	Modification of CP(BP-16,903 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 1-1-69. (changes) Atty. Cottone and Fanelli	GRANTED to	11-8-68 1-1-69

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1600kc

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name Capitol Broadcasting Corp.
Dover, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-12,624 R. & F. #480932 $30 JAN 22 1969	12-26-68 12-31-68 12-31-68	MP(BP-16,903, as mod) for extension of completion date to 2-28-69 (changes). atty-Benedict P. Cottone	GRANTED to	1-27-69 2-28-69
BMP-12,649 R. & F. #477649 $30 FEB 14 1969	12-10-68 12-11-68 12-11-68	MP(BP-16,903, as mod) to make changes in DA system. atty-Cottone & Fanelli engr-Robert L. Purcell	GRANTED	2-19-69
BL-12,311 R & F #4955550 $30 PT AMENDED:R&F APR 8 1969	3/3/69 3/4/69 3/4/69 3/11/69 3/12/69	License (BP-16,903 as mod.) for changes. Atty: Benedict P. Cottone Engr: Robert L. Purcell Re correct coordinates	GRANTED	5-12-69

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKEN

Name CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP.
Dover, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-18,534 R. & F. #497933 $30. APR 1 6 1969	3-3-69 3-11-69 3-11-69	CP to install an auxiliary transmitter (Gates BC-500GY) at new main trans loc, to be oper on 1600kc, 500w, DA-N, for auxiliary purposes only. atty-Cottone, Millman, Peterson & Eldridge engr-Robert L. Purcell	GRANTED	4-29-69
BR-3474 R & F #511811 $75. PRESS JUN 3	4-24-69 5-2-69 5-2-69 1969	Renewal of license Atty-Benedict P. Cottone	GRANTED	7-24-69
BL-12496 R & F #542737 $30. PT FEB 2 1970	9-1-69 9-18-69 9-18-69 9-29-69	Lic.(BP-18,534) to install an Auxiliary Trans. Atty: Cottone, Peterson & Eldridge	GRANTED	2-13-70

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

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKEN

Name CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP.
DOVER, DELAWARE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-3474 R & F PN PRESS MAY 18 1972	5-1-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal of License(Main & Auxiliary) Atty-David Meyers AMENDED 7-13-72 re: employment policy	GRANTED	11-20-72
BR-3474 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-19-75 4-1-75 " MAY 14 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) B.P. Cottone,Atty. AMENDED 8-8-75 re: comp. of area, ascert. of comm. needs & EEO AMENDED 8-29-75 re: EEO (OVER)	Gr.	5-25-79 (ISSUED WITH BL-14,484)
BP-20,024 Rec'd Filed $400-464155 AC-001 PN REC'd	8-8-75 8-13-75 8-13-75 9-5-75 MAR 26 1976	Construction permit to increase daytime power from 500w to 5kw install DA-2 Atty: Benedict P. Cottone Eng. Robert L. Purcell Amended 1-30-76 re engineering (OVER)	GRAN ED	11-10-76

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BP- Engineering statement in opposition to WKEN application submitted 12-3-75 by Chhen & Dippell for WCPK

Amended 11-20-76 re: Engineering

Amended 9-10-76 re: Financial info, assercertainment of c comunity problems. bank ltr.

8-30-76 req.ext. of time to 9=10-76

Amended 10-18-76 re: Financing

(BR-3474) SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 4-3-78 as an amendment to pending renewal application. (Main & Aux.)

Benedict P. Cottone, Atty. APR 13 1978

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May 1976

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKEN

Name CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP.
Dover, Delaware

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BZ- Rec'd.	3-8-77 3-15-77	Direct Measurement	returned Only 1 copy of proof	3-15-77
BZ-9453 R & F Amend DM PRESS JUL 1 4 1977	3-3-76 11-3-76 3-15-77 - 7-5-77	Direct Measurement proof	Gr. (ISSUED	11-26-79 WITH BL-14484)
BP-21,066 R & F PRESS: JAN 5 1978	12-1-77 12-10-77	Construction permit to replace expired permit (BP-20024) Atty:------	GRANTED	2-16-78
BL-14,484 Filed PRESS SEP 8 1978	5-19-78	Lic. to cover BP-21,066 as mod. for changes Atty: Benedict P. Cottone	Gr.	11-26-79

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

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W K E N

Name: CAPITOL BROADCASTING CORP.

Station Location: DOVER, DELAWARE

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR-810326UU PRESS	JUN 15 1981	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	granted 7-7-81 ISSUED

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March 1979

WMEN RECORD OF DENIALS OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

10-26-60 Ira. Relet Atty 21. Comm. rules do not permit operation of std. b/c stations beyond hours specified in station license.

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.