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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W C T Y(EFF: 6-9-7

Date first licensed April 30, 1968

Call letters WICH-FM

Station location Norwich, Connecticut

Name of licensee WICH, INC.

Transmitter location End of Cook Drive, Montiville, Connecticut (PH-6-23-66)(LH 4-30-68)

06360

Main studio location Cuprak Road, Norwich, Connecticut (PH-6-23-66) (LH 4-30-68)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From- To- |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BPH-5269 | 6-23-66 | 97.7mc. | ERP: 3kw(h)2.95kw(v) | | U 8-23-66 |
| HAAT: 300'(h) | | ch# 249 | TPO: 3.2kw. | | 2-23-67 |
| 295'(v) | CP for a new class A FM broadcast station with RC. | | | | |
| BPH-5269 (1) | 7-5-66 | Mod. of CP(BPH-5269) to assign call letters W I C H-FM. | | | |
| BMPH-9211 (2) | 2-7-67 | Mod. of CP(BPH-5269) for ext. of completion date to | | | 8-23-67 |
| BMPH-9519 (3) | 8-11-67 | Mod. of CP(BPH-5269 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to | | | 11-23-67. |
| BMPH-9687 (4) | 11-8-67 | Mod. of CP(BPH-5269 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to | | | 2-28-68. |
| BTC-5519 EFF: | 12-29-67 12-31-67 | Voluntary transfer of control of perm. | | | |
| BLH-3943 | 4-30-68 | 97.7mcERP:3kw(H) | | Unl. RC | 4-1-69 |
| | Lic to cover CP(BPH-5269 as mod.) for new FM | | | | |
| Wire | 5-27-68 | Auth remain silent 4-30-68 thru 5-27-68 | | | |
| BRH-2182(S) | 3-26-69 | Renewal of License | | | 4-1 4-1-72 |
| BRH-2182(S) | 4-10-72 | RENEWA | | | 4-1-75 |
| EBSA | 5-22-72 | | | | |
| BTC-7123 | 5-10-73 | VOL TC | EFF: 6-15-73 | | |
| BTC-7640 | 12-31-74 | Vol. TC. | EFF: 2-14-75 | | |
| BRH-2182(S) | 3-31-75 | Renewal of License | | | 4-1-78 |
| COMTEL | 6-4-75 | POSTPONEMENT on-air Use new call sign (WCTY) thru 7-1-75 | | | |
| BPH-10144 HAAT: 300' {L} | 8-24-76 {H&V} | 97.7MHz ERP: 235W{H&V} {RC} CP install new Aux. Trans at Main TL. and install new Antenna | | | 8-24-77 |
| BPH-10144 {L} | 8-24-76 | This supersedes authorization issued same date to include main trans. ERP: 3 kilowatts {H&V} | | | |

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W C T Y

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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CONTEL | 4-5-77 | COLLINS-830E-1A mod. with 310Z-2 exciter now installed. | | | COLLINS- |
| BLH-7425 8-10-77 Lic {BPH-10144} Chgs {RC}<br>HAAT: 300' H&V ERP: 3kw H&V TPO: 3.2kw {MAIN}<br>HAAT: 300' H&V ERP: 230w H&V TPO: 250w {AUX}<br>MAIN & AUX. Transmitters | | | | | 4-1-78 |
| BRH-2182(S) | 3-28-78 | RENEWAL | (MAIN & | AUX.) | 4-1-81 |
| BTCH 800707EZ | 7-21-80 | | VOL TCH | EFF: | 7-22-80 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WICH-FM

Name WICH, INC.
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT (FO & Richard Reed, P.O. Box 551, Norwich, Conn. 06361)

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BPH-5269<br>R & F | 2-10-66<br>2-11-66 | Construction permit for a new FM broadcast to be operated on:<br>Frequency: 97.7mc CH 249<br>ERP: 3kw(H) 2.95kw(V)<br>TPO: 3.16kw<br>HAAT: 300 feet<br>Type trans: Collins-830E-1A<br>Type ant: Collins-37M-2, 2 sections(horiz)<br>Collins-300-2, 2 sections(vert)<br><br>Trans loc: End of Cook Drive, Montville, Conn.<br><br>Studio loc: Cuprak Road, Norwich, Conn.<br><br>Remote control loc: Same as studio<br><br>Atty: Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering<br>Engr: Kear & Kennedy | GRANTED | 6-23-66 |

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

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W I C H-FM

Name WICH, INC.
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BMPH-9211<br>REG'D<br>FILED | 1-20-67<br>1-23-67<br>1-26-67 | Modification of CP(BPH-5269 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 2-23-67 to _____.<br><br>Attys-Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering (J. Roger Wollenberg) | GRANTED to | 2-7-67<br>8-23-67 |
| BMPH-9519<br>R & F<br>AUG 4 1967 | 7-17-67<br>7-19-67 | Modification of CP(BPH-5269 as mod., which authorized a new FM b/c station) for extension of completion date from 8-23-67 to _____.<br><br>Atty-Arthur Z. Gardiner, Jr. (Wilmer, Cutler etc.) | GRANTED to | 8-11-67<br>11-23-67 |
| BMPH-9687<br>R & F | 10-27-67<br>10-27-67 | Mod. of CP(BPH-5269 as mod., which authorized a new FM b/c station) for extension of completion date from 11-23-67 to _____.<br><br>Atty - Joel Rosenbloom(Wilmer, Cutler, & Pickering) | GRANTED to | 11-8-67<br>2-28-68 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W.I.C.H-FM

Name WICH, INC.
Norwich, Conn 06360

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BTC-5519<br>R & F<br>(Form 316)<br>JAN 2 1968 | 12-20-67<br>12-21-67 | Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corp. from Hall Communications, Inc.(N.Y. corp) to Hall Communications, Inc.(Conn. corp)<br><br>Atty - Lauren Colby | GRANTED EFF: | 12-29-67<br>12-31-67 |
| BLH-3943<br>Rec'd<br>Filed<br>#402686 $30<br>Amended<br>R & F<br>PT | 1/25/68<br>1/25/68<br>2/23/68<br>1/25/68<br>2/16/68<br>2/23/68<br>3/8/68 | License (BPH-5296 as mod., for new station).<br>Atty: Lauren Colby<br>Engr: H. W. Holt, Hartford, Conn.<br><br>re engr. data. | GRANTED | 4-30-68 |
| BRH-2182<br>R & F<br>#481420 $75.<br>PRESS JAN 28 1969 | 12-23-68<br>1-2-69<br>1-2-69 | Renewal of license<br>AMENDED 1-31-69 re: Engineering (equip. perf. meas)<br>AMENDED 3-7-69 re: Engineering statement<br><br>Atty. Lauren A. Colby | GRANTED | 3-26-69 |

Atty. called 1-24-69 re: Sec. II, Para's 10a and 11 not ans. on renewal

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCTY x WICH-FM

Name WICH, INC.
NORWICH, CONN.

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BRH-2182 | 12-27-71 | Renewal of License | GRANTED | 4-10-72 |
| R & F | 1-3-72 | | | |
| PN | 1-3-72 | Atty-Lauren A. Colby | | |
| PRESS JAN 14 1972 | | Ltr. 2-29-72 Licensee and Coalition agreed to an extension of seven (7) days for the filing of Petitions to Deny | | |
| | | AMENDED 3-28-72 re: community survey | | |
| BTC-7123 | 3-22-73 | Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Hall Communications, Inc.(Conn corp) to Hall Communications, Inc.(N.Y. corp) | GRANTED | 5-10-73 |
| R & F | 3-27-73 | | | |
| FEE PD: $250 #167679 | | | | |
| CODE 054 (Form 316) | | | EFF: | 6-15-73 |
| ALSO SEE AM ETC | | Atty - Arent, Fox etc | | |
| APR 24 1973 | | | | |
| BRH-2182 | 11-29-74 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | | |
| R & F | 12-2-74 | D.Tillotson,Atty. | GRANTED | 3-31-75 |
| PN Recd. | " | | | |
| PRESS | DEC 10 1974 | | | |

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# APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

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Call Letters WCTY
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Name WICH, INC.
Norwich, Conn

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BTC-7640<br>R & F<br>FEE PD: $250 # 377082<br>CODE 049 (FORM 316)<br>ALSO SEE AM | 11-25-74<br>12-26-74<br><br><br>DEC 31 1974 | Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Hall Communications, Inc.(N.Y.corp) to Hall Communications, Inc.(Del. corp)<br>CONTINGENT ONGR OF BAL-8323 (WUSJ)<br>Atty - Arent, Fox etc | GRANTED<br>EFF: | 12-31-74<br>2-14-75 |
| BPH-10144<br>R & F<br>585796$100<br>CODE 001<br>PRESS | 5-28-76<br>6-28-76<br>6-29-76<br><br>AUG 13 1976 | CP install new Aux. Trans {RCA BTF-250} at main Trans loc; to be operated on 97.7MHz ch. 249; ERP: 3kw {H&V}; HAAT: 300' H&V; install new Antenna: JAMPRO, JSCP-2, 2 sects {H&V}<br>Atty. David A. Tillotson<br>Engr. Keith A. Leach | GRANTED | 8-24-76 |

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# APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

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Call Letters WCTY

Name WICH, Inc.
Norwich, Connecticut

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action Nature | Action Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BLH-7425<br>Rec'd<br>Filed<br>PTA<br>PRESS<br><br>Amended | 6-2-77<br>6-3-77<br>6-29-77<br>6-15-77<br>JUL 18 1977<br><br>6-29-77 | Lic. {BPH-10144} for chgs<br>{Main & Aux. Transmitters}<br>Atty. David Tillotson<br>Engr. W. J. Sitzman, Jr.<br><br>specify AUX. ERP | GRANTED | 8-10-77 |
| BRH-2182<br>R & F<br>PN Recd.<br>PRESS | 11-25-77<br>11-30-77<br><br>JAN 13 1978 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.) | GRANTED | 3-28-78 |
| BTCH800707EZ<br>Form 316<br>PRESS<br>Also see WNCE(fm)WLVL(am)<br>WNBH(am)WMYS(fm)W CH(am)<br>WCTY(fm)WBVP(am)WWKS(fm) | JUL 23 1980 | Voluntary transfer of control of Hall Communications, Inc. (parent corp of lic) from Robert M. Hall to the Robert M. Hall Revocable Trust, Robert M. Hall and Ruth D. Hall Trustees as dated 6-6-80<br><br>Atty Susan A. Marshall | GRANTED<br>EFF: | 7-21-80<br>7-22-80 |

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97.7mhz

# APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W C T Y

Name: WICH, INC.

Station Location: NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

| File No. | Date | Description | Action and Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| BRH 801128 VM<br>PRESS | DEC 22 1980 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.TRANS.)<br>David Tillotson, Atty.<br>Ltr. 5-19-81 re: programming & commercial matter | Grn 3/30/81<br>ISSUED |

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# 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 12th 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.