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June 1954 #1

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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WB K O (Eff: 1-3-71)
X W L T V (EFF: 7-6-60)

Date first licensed 10-9-64 (OFFICIAL #575) Call letters ~~W-I-T-B-~~

Station location BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

BLUEGRASS MEDIA, INC. (AL 7-14-76; Eff: 7-28-76
PROFESSIONAL TELECASTING SYSTEMS, INC. (BALCT-402 6-11-70 EFF: 7-24-70)
XARGUS BROADCASTING COMPANY (BAPCT-287 7-7-60 EFF: 7-18-60)

Name of licensee X GEORGE A. BROWN, JR.

Off state Highway #67, 1/2 mile NE of Rays Branch, Kentucky (BPCT-4372 7-27-70)

Transmitter location X12.5 miles NW of Bowling Green, near Bowling Green, Kentucky

535 EAST TENTH STREET, BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY (BMLCT-691 10-1-69)

Main studio location X 12.5 miles NW of Bowling Green, near Bowling Green, Kentucky

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

DOCKET # 11941.

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
BPCT-2131	10-7-59	CH #13	V-75.9 kw	U	12-7-59	
AH: 800'		210-216	A-45.7 kw	MSL:1413'	6-7-60	
Construction Permit for a new Comm. TV Broadcast Station.						
BMPCT-5474	5-19-60	same	same	same	12-7-59	
Mod. CP(BPCT-2131) to extend completion date.					12-7-60	
BAPCT-287	7-7-60	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to ARGUS BROADCASTING COMPANY. EFF:7-18-60				
BMPCT-5545	12-21-60	CH #13	V-316 kw	U	12-7-59	
AH: 850'		210-216	A-158 kw	MSL:1413'	6-7-61	
Mod.CP (BPCT-2131,as mod)to chg. ERP,type of transm.antenna equipment & AH.						
BMPCT-5604	6-8-61	same	same	same	12-7-59	
Mod CP (BPCT-2131, as mod) to extend complte date					12-7-61	
BMPCT-5678	11-24-61	same	same	same	12-7-59	
Mod.CP (BPCT-2131,as mod)to extend completion date.					6-7-62	
WIRE	5-1-62	RE LIC.APPL. BLCT-1194 AUTH. GR. OPERATE WLTV ON PROG.TEST ACCORD SEC.3.629 RULES & CP BMPCT-5545. ADVISE COMMENCEMENT. Began 6-3-62 Ltr. 6-4-62				
BLCT-1194	10-9-64	CH. #13	V-316kw	U	10-9-64	
AH:850' MSL:1413'		210-216	A-158kw		8-1-67	
License to cover CP(BPCT-2131, as mod.)						
WIRE	1-21-66	REURLET 12. PENDING FILING FCC FORM 301 FOR PERMANENT CHG., AUTH. GRANTED OPER. WLTV TEMP. PERIOD END 3-1-66 WITH AURAL POWER BETWEEN 10 AND 20 PERCENT OF LICENSED VISUAL POWER.				
BMLCT-580	3-9-66	same	same A- 63.1	same	3-9-66 8-1-67	
Mod. of Lic. to reduce Aural ERP& chg aural trans						
BRCT-575	7-18-67	CH-13	V-316 kw	U	8-1-67	
AH: 850'	MSL:1413'	210-216	A-63.1 kw		8-1-70	
RENEWAL OF LICENSE						
BMLCT-691	10-1-69	(ML) to chg. Studio Loc.				
WIRE	9-30--69	PENDING ANT. SUPPORTING TOWER REPAIRS AUTH. GR. REMAIN SILENT TEMP. PER. END. 10-29-69.				

Form BC 126
June 1954

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COMM TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W L T V

Station location BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Name of licensee SEE CARD NO. 1

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
WIRE	10-8-69	PENDING	RESTORATION TOWER AND ANT.		
SYSTEM AUTH. GR. OPER TEMP. PER. END. 1-8-70 WITH SINGLE SUPERTURNSTILE ANT. MOUNTED ON 150-FT. TOWER AND AT REDUCED POWER AS NECESSARY. ANT. MARKING AND LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS ACCORD. RULES APPLICABLE DURING RECONSTRUCTION LIC. FACILITIES.					
WIRE	1-12-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. to 4-8-70			
WIRE	4-8-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. to 7-8-70			
WIRE	7-21-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 10-8-70			
BPCT-4372	7-27-70	Ch. 13	V.302 kw	U	9-27-70
AH:740' MSL: 1343'		210-216	A.30.2 kw		1-27-72
CP chg. TL, ERP, TRANS.					
WIRE	10-12-70	ABOVE AUTTH. EXT. TO 12-15-70			
BRCT-575 (L)	9-30-70	same	same	same	10-1-73
		RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA			
WIRE	12-22-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 1-15-71			
BPCT-4372 Auth. issued 1-8-71 to show correct name and call letters per QP.					
WIRE	2-2-71	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 2-14-71			
WIRE	2-5-71	RETENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. ON PTA CP BPCT-4372.			
BLCT-2061	3-15-71	Lic. (BPCT-4372) chg.			10-1-73
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRCT-575	8-30-74	Renewal of license (S)			8-1-76
BRCT-575	7-14-76	Renewal of License (S)			8-1-79
BALCT-591	7-14-76	Voluntary assignment of license			
BRCT 790402 KP	7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-82

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Comm TV B/C

FORM BC-121
FORMERLY FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters W L T V (EFF:7-6-6 ~~New W-I-T-B~~

Name George A. Brown, Jr.
(P.O. 809 Covington Avenue, Bowling Green, Ky.)

(Station Loc: Bowling Green, Ky.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-2131 Recd & filed	5-12-56 5-15-56	CP for a new comm TV b/c station Freq: Ch # 13, 210-216 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 75.8 kw, Aur. 45.7 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: On US Route # 231, 12.5 miles NW of center of Bowling Green, near Bowling Green, Ky. T-L: On US Route # 231, 12.5 miles NW of center of Bowling Green, near Bowling Green, Ky. (Vis & Aur. RCA-TT-5A) (801) Request for waiver of Sec. 3.613 of the Commission's Rules. Filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty.	GRANTED docket NO.: 11941	10-7-59
Amended Recd & filed	11-16-56 11-19-56	Amended to correct coordinates and furnish additional engr. data, filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty.		
Amended Recd & filed	1-5-57 1-8-57	Amended re programming, financial data, and construction cost. Filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty.		

W. J. Holey, 1146 Briarcliff Place NE, Atlanta, Ga.
Engr.

FORM BC-121 #2 **APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING** Comm. TV

AUG. 1958 ARGUS BROADCASTING COMPANY Call Letters W L T V (EFF: 7-6-60) ~~W I P D~~

Name ~~GEORGE A. BROWN, JR.~~ X
Bowling Green, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5474 Recd.&Filed	5-5-60 5-6-60	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2131,which authorized a new TV Broadcast station) to extend completion date from 6-7-60 to 12-7-60. Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin,Atty.	GRANTED	5-19-60
BAPCT-287 Rec.& filed	6-20-60 6-24-60	Voluntary assignment of construction permit TO Argus Broadcasting Company Koteen and Burt-a tys	GRANTED EFF:	7-7-60 7-18-60
BMPCT-5545 R & F	11-19-60 11-29-60	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2131, as mod. which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C station) to change ERP from Vis. 75.9 kw, Aur. 45.7 kw to Vis. 316 kw, Aur. 158 kw, change type of transmitters from RCA TT-5A to Standard Electronic TH644, type of antenna to RCA TF-12AH, make changes in equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 848' Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED SUBJECT COMPLIANCE with Section 3.640	12-21-60
BMPCT-5604 Recd.&Filed	5-12-61 5-15-61	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2131,as mod.,which auth.a new Comm.TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 6-7-61 to 12-7-61. Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED	6-8-61

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING COMM.TV

Call Letters W L T V

Name ARGUS BROADCASTING COMPANY
BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY zip 42101

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5673 Recd.&Filed	10-30-61 10-31-61	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2131,as mod.,which auth.a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 12-7-61 to 6-7-62. Alan Y. Naftalin,Atty.	GRANTED	11-24-61
BLCT-1194 R & F	4-25-62 4-26-62	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-2131, as modified) which authorized a new commercial TV B/C station Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED	10-9-64
BMLCT-580 R & F	2-24-66 2-28-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 158 kw to 63.2 kw.	GRANTED	3-9-66
BRCT-575 R & F	4-28-67 5-3-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Victor E. Ferrall,Jr.Atty.(Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	7-18-67
BMLCT- 691 R & F $30 #538032 PRESS	8-23-69 8-25-69 "	ML to change Studio Location to 535 East Tenth Street, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Arthur B. Goodkind, Esq. (KOTEEN & BURT)	GRANTED	10-1-69

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Form BC-121 CARD #4
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters W-L-T-V- W B K O

PROFESSIONAL TELECASTING SYSTEMS, INC.

Name ARGUS BROADCASTING COMPANY

CH-13 BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALCT-402 R & F #588045 $150 PRESS: PN REC'D:	3-20-70 3-25-70 3-25-70 APR 1 1970 4-15-70	Voluntary assignment of license to Professional Telecasting Systems, Inc. Atty.: Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED EFF:	6-11-70 7-27-70
BRCT-575 R & F #598604 $150 Press P N recd	4-30-70 5-5-70 5-5-70 MAY 21 1970 5-5-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. Atty.(Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	9-30-70
BPCT-4372 R & F #613991 $30 PRESS:	6-30-70 7-10-70 7-10-70 JUL 21 1970	CP to chg. Aur. ERP to 3.16kw; TL to Off State Hwy. #67, ½ mi. NE of Rays Branch, Bowling Green, Ky. (37-03-52 86-26-07); type trans. to GE TT-530-H; type ant. to GE TY-70-H; and HAAT to 745 ft. Atty.: V. E. Ferrall, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	7-27-70

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

Form BC-121 CARD#5
September 1969

COMMERCIAL TV

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W B K O

Name PROFESSIONAL TELECASTING SYSTEMS, INC.
CH-13 BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLCT-2061 R & F #661262 $50 AC: 069 PRESS:	2-1-71 2-4-71 2-4-71 FEB 22 1971	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4372) for chgs. Atty.:VEFerrall,Jr.(Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	3-15-71
BRET-575 R & F PN RECD. PRESS:	4-27-73 5-3-73 5-5-73 MAY 25 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Koteen & Burt Atty: Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. AMENDED 9-21-73 re financial Amended 10-17-73 re equal employment Amended 4-26-74 re equal employment. Ltr. 5-6-75 new attorney: Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue Victor E. Ferrall, Jr.	GRANTED	8-30-74

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Form BC-121
September 1969

COMM. TV

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WBKO

Name BLUEGRASS MEDIA, INC.
XPROFESSIONAL TELECASTING SYTEMS, INC.
Ch. 13 BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-575 R & F PN recd Press:	3-27-76 4-1-76 4-1-76 14 MAY 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Jones. Day, Reavis & Pogue Atty: Victor E. Ferrall. Jr. Annual report filed Contour maps filed Amended 6-1-76 re additional information	GRANTED	7-14-76
BALCT-591 Rec. & Filed #572867 $200 AC: 047 PRESS (Form 314) PN RECD FEE PAID AC: 048	5-24-76 5-26-76 5-26-76 6-8-76 8 JUN 1976 6-29-76 8-2-76	Voluntary assignment of license to Bluegrass Media, Inc. Atty.: Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. (Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue) Amended 6-29-76 re additional information	GRANTED Eff:	7-14-76 7-14-76

CARD NO. 7

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WBKO

Name BULEGRASS MEDIA, INC.
CH. 13 BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT 790402KP	3-26-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE-LINDA K. SMITH, atty} {JONES, DAY, REAVIS & POGUE}		
R & F	4-02-79		GRANTEDD	7-18-79
PN REC'D	4-02-79			
PRESS	'79 04 25			
BRCCT-810608KF		Req. for auth. to oper. trans. by RC from SL at 537 East 10th. St., Bowling Green, Ky.	gr. 8-17-81	

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 radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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 television station history.