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June 1954 PROG. TEST RE CH. 15 Auth 7-25-67 COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed 6-19-59 (Off. No. 479) Call letters WICD (7-31-67) XWCHU

Station location Champaign, Illinois

DUAL IDENTIFICATION AS: Champaign-Danville, Illinois

PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION (BALCT-120 6-30-60 EFF: 7-1-60)
X WCHU, INC. (BAPCT-266 2-20-59 EFF: 3-15-59)

Name of licensee X PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

3.75 miles Southwest of Fithian, Near Fithian, Illinois (BPCT-3504 6-7-66)
X University and Walnut Streets, Champaign, Illinois (BMPCT-5183 10-24-58)

Transmitter location X 1 mile north of Seymour, near Seymour, Illinois

250 Country Fair Drive Champaign, Il. (Per Letter 5-16-78 from Atty.)
X 17 E. University St., Champaign, Ill. (SCT 4-30-74)
X Interstate Research Park on Interstate Dr., Champaign, Ill. (ML 8-29-72)
X University and Walnut Streets, Champaign, Illinois (BMPCT-5183, 10-24-58)

Main studio location X 1 mile north of Seymour, near Seymour, Illinois

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPCT-2203	9-19-57	CH # 33	V-178 kw	U	11-19-57
AH: 570'		512-518	A-95.5 kw		5-19-58
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station.					
BMPCT-5088	5-2-58	same	same	same	11-19-57
Mod.CP(BPCT-2203)to extend completion date.					11-19-58
~~BMPCT-5183~~	~~10-24-58~~	~~same~~	~~same~~	~~same~~	~~11-19-59~~
~~Mod. CP (BPCT-2203 as mod) ext. completion date~~					~~4-24-59~~
BMPCT-5188	10-24-58	CH#33	V-5.5 kw	U	11-19-57
AH: 140'		584-590	A-2.96 kw		4-24-59
Mod.CP(BPCT-2203,as mod)to chg. ERP,T&SL,type of antenna, make other equipment chgs. AH.					& trans
BAPCT-266	2-20-59	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to WCHU,INC. EFF: 3-15-59			
BMPCT-5289	4-2-59	CH #33	V-5.5 kw	Und.	11-19-57
AH: 140'		584-590	A-2.96 kw	MSL:871'	6-15-59
Mod. of CP (BPCT-2203, as mod)to extend completion date, and show change of name. ~~RE-ENG. BLCT-925~~					
WIRE	4-23-59	AUTH. GR. OPR. WCHU ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 3.629 RULES & CP BMPCT-5183.ADVISE PROGRAM TEST BEGAN 4-23-59.			
BLCT-925	6-19-59	CH# 33	V-5.5 kw	U	6-19-59
AH:140'		584-590	A-2.96kw	(MSL:871')	12-1-61
Lic to cover CP(BPCT-2203 as mod) Auth. a new Comm.TV B/C St					
BALCT-120	6-30-60	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION. EFF: 7-1-60			
ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 11-29-61					
BRCT-479	4-5-62	CH #33	V-5.5 kw	U	4-5-62
AH: 140'		584-590	A-2.96 kw	MSL:871'	12-1-64
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BTC-3993	4-12-62	Voluntary acquisiion of negative control			
EFF: 4-23-62		by each, Herbert Scheftel (50%) and Alfred G. Bruger (50%) of Transcontinental Properties,Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) through sale of 30.5 shares of stock by Paul F. Warburg to Transcontinental Properties,Inc.			
BTC-4225	3-11-63	Involuntary transfer of negative control of Transcontinental Properties,Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) from Alfred G. Burger to Herbert Scheftel,Cecile L. Burger and Abraham L. Bienstock,Executor of the Estate of Alfred G.Burger, De ceased. EFF: 3-29-63			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WICD ~~W C H U (TV)~~

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-
BRCT-479 AH: 140' RENEWAL OF	7-15-65 LICENSE	CH #33 584-590 CONDITIONAL	V-5.5kw A-2.96kw	U MSL:871'	7-15-65 12-1-67
BPCT-3504 AH: 1300' MSL:1999' CP to chg. Frequency type of transmitter, ERP AH antenna	6-7-66	CH.#15 476-482	V-144 kw A-28.8 kw	U	8-7-66 2-7-67
BMPCT-6323 AH:1300' MSL:1999' Mod. of CP (BPCT-3504) to change ERP and type of trans.	9-28-66	CH.#15 476-482	V-647kw A-129kw	U	8-7-66 2-7-67
BMLCT-626 Mod. of Lic. to reduce Aural ERP	8-9-66	same	same	same	8-9-66 12-1-67
BMPCT-6463 Mod. of CP (BMPCT-6323) to ext. compl. date	5-25-67	same	same	same	8-7-66 11-25-67
WIRE 7-25-67 RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPERATE WCHU ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES AND CP BMPCT-6463. ADVISE WHEN OPERATION COMMENCES UNDER THIS AUTHORITY					
WIRE 7-28-67 UPON COMMENCEMENT REGULAR OPERATION ON CH. 15 AUTHORITY GR. CONTINUE OPERATION ON CH. 24 at DANVILLE, ILL. AND CH. 33 AT CHAMPAIGN, ILL. IDENTIFYING STATIONS AS 'FORMERLY WICD AND WCHU, RESPECTIVELY, TEMP. PER. END. 8-14-67. THIS AUTHORIZATION FOR PURPOSE TRANSMITTING INFORMATION ADVISING PUBLIC OF CHANGE TO CH. 15 ONLY.					
BLCT-1701 AH:1300' MSL:1999' License to cover CP (BPCT-3504, as mod.)	8-31-67	CH-15 476-482	V-647 kw A-129 kw	U	8-31-67 12-1-67
BRCT-479	11-24-67	same RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA	same	same	12-1-67 12-1-70
WIRE 12-16-69 AUTH. GR. CO OPER. REMOTE CONTROL					
BRCT-479	11-25-70 (c)	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-73 NDEA 12-1-76
BPCT-4499 AH:1300'MSL: 1999' CP chg. transmitting eqpt.	3-28-72	Ch. 15 476-482	V. 647 kw A. 129	U	5--28-72 9-28-73
BRCTV-51 BTC-6898	6-28-72 7-3-1-72	OPER. REMOTE CONTROL Vol. TC			

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W I C D

Station location CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
Wire	5-22-73	Pending filing lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper. temp. per. end. 6-22-73 accord. BPCT-4499.			
Wire	6-21-73	Above auth. extended to 7-22-73			
Wire	7-24-73	Above auth. extended to 8-22-73			
BMLCT-765	8-29-73	ML to chg ERP Aur. & studio location (1)			
Wire	9-11-73	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper. PTA accord. 73.629 & BPCT-4499.			
BRCT-479	11-28-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)			12-1-76
BLCT-2239	12-14-73	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4499)			12-1-76
BSCT-479 (1)	4-30-74	To change Studio Loc. & RC pt.			
BTC-7754	5-20-75	INVOL. TC of negative control			
BRCT-479 AH: 1300' MSL: 1999' Renewal of license	11-30-76	Ch. 15 476-482	V. 646 kW A. 64.6 kW	U	12-1-76 12-1-79
BTC-8482	3-13-78	VOL. T/C			
BRCT-790801LK	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			12-1-82
BTCTV-790521KI	4-7-80	VOL. TC			

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Comm TV B/C

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Letters NEW

Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
(P.O. 190 No. State Street, Room 642, Chicago, Illinois)

Station Location: ~~White Heath, Illinois~~ Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT- 2203	9-4-56	CP for a new commercial TV b/c station		~~Returned to Atty 9-19-56 Rm. 7, part 1, dated subsequent to Certf. in Sec. 1~~
Recd	9-17-56	Freq: Ch # ~~21, 512-518~~ Mcs. (~~Urbana, Ill. allocation~~)		
~~[illegible]~~		ERP: ~~Vis. 200 kw, Aur. 120 kw~~		
Resubmitted	9-14-56	Hours of operation: Unlimited		
Recd & filed	9-20-56	S-L: ~~1 mile South of City limits on Hwy 105, near Monticello, Illinois~~		
		T-L: ~~1 mile South of City limits on Hwy 105, near Monticello, Illinois~~	GRANTED	9-19-57
		(Vis & Aur. RCA-TT-12A) (~~646~~)		
		Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.		
		(Satellite Station of WICS)		
Amended	12-7-56	Amended to change ERP from Vis. 200 kw, Aur.		
Recd & filed	12-7-56	120 kw to Vis. 178 kw, Aur. 96.2 kw, change antenna (type), antenna hgt. ab. average terrain and make other equipment changes.		
		Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty. (~~635-151~~)		
Amended	1-10-57	Amended to make minor changes in antenna		
Recd & filed	1-14-57	system and overall height above ground		
		Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.		

Walter F. Kean, Consulting Engineer (1 Riverside Rd.
Riverside, Ill.)

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Comm TV B/C

Call Letters WCHU

Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Sta. Location Champaign, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-2203 Amended Recd & filed 4-29-57 Cont'd from Card # 1	4-29-57	Amended to change station location from White Heath, Ill to Champaign, Ill., change transmitter and studio location to 1 mile North of Seymour, Illinois, make changes in antenna, and change antenna height above average terrain to 574.15 Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	9-19-57
Amended recd & filed	6-6-57 6-7-57	Amended to change ch. to # 33, 584-590 Mcs. make changes in antenna and antenna height above average terrain to 575.25' Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.		
Amended Recd & filed	7-18-57 7-19-57	Amended re financial data, type of antenna and request waiver of Sec. 3.613 of the Comm's rules		

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Champaign, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5088 Recd. & filed Ext. # 1	4-21-58 4-22-58	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2203, which authorized a new TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 5-19-58 to Dec. 1958. McKenna & Wilkinson-attys.	GRANTED	5-2-58
BMPCT-5183 Recd & filed	9-5-58 9-10-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2203 as modified) to change ERP from Vis. 178 kw, Aur. 95.5 kw to Vis. 5.51 kw, Aur. 2.98 kw, transmitter and studio location from 1 mile North of Seymour, near Seymour, Illinois to University and Walnut Streets, Champaign, Illinois, change type of transmitter (to RCA TTU-1B), type of antenna (to RCA TFU-6A) and make other equipment changes and antenna height above average terrain to 143.8 feet Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty	GRANTED	10-24-58

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COMM. TV B/C

WCHU, INC. 2-20-59

Name X PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Champaign, Illinois

Call Letters W C H U

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-5209 Recd & Filed	10-21-58 10-23-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2203, which authorized a new Commercial Television Broadcast Station) to extend completion date from 11-19-58 to 5-22-59. Filed by David S. Stevens, Atty.	DISMISSED AS UNNECESSARY	OCT 31 1958
BAPCT-266 Recd & filed	1-16-59 2-9-59	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to WCHU, INC. Filed by Robert W. Coll, Atty (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED EFF: 3-15-59	2-20-59
BMPCT-5289 Recd. &Filed	3-19-59 3-25-59	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2203, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 4-24-59 to 6-15-59. Filed by R.W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	4-2-59
BLCT-925 Recd & filed	4-20-59 4-21-59	License to cover CP (BPCT-2203 as mod) which authorized a new comm TV broadcast station Filed by Robert W. Coll, Atty	GRANTED	6-19-59

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PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION (6-30-60)

Name ~~WCHU, INC.~~

Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALCT-120 Rec'd Filed	5-4-60 5-13-60 5-13-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Plains Television Corporation. Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED CONDITIONAL RE COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 317 of Rule EFF: 7-1-60	6-30-60
BRCT-479 Recd.&Filed	8-31-61 9-5-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	4-5-62
BTC-3993 R & F	2-12-62 2-26-62	Voluntary acquisition of negative control by each, Herbert Scheftel (50%) and Alfred G. Burger (50%) of Transcontinental Properties, Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) through sale of 30.5 shares of stock by Paul F. Warburg to Transcontinental Properties, Inc. Filed by Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: 4-23-62	4-12-62

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Call Letters WCHU

Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-4225 Rec.& filed	2-21-63 2-25-63	Involuntary transfer of negative control of Transcontinental Properties, Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) from Alfred G. Burger to Herbert Scheftel, Cecile E. Burger and Abraham L. Bienstock, Executors of the Estate of Alfred G. Burger, Deceased. *McKenna & Wilkinson-atty.	GRANTED EFF:	3-11-63 3-29-63
BRCT-479 Recd.&Filed	8-28-64 9-3-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Coll, Atty*	GRANTED CONDITION	7-15-65

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Call Letters W C H U

Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-3504 R & F SEE CARD #6 FOR AMENDMENT	1-12-65 1-15-65	Construction permit to change frequency from Channel 33, 584-590mcs. TO Channel ~~[illegible]~~ mcs.;ERP from Vis.5.5 kw, Aur.2.96 kw TO Vis. ~~[illegible]~~;transmitter location from University and Walnut Streets, Champaign,Illinois TO 3.75 miles North, 215° East from Fithian, Illinois; change type of transmitters to RCA TTU-12A; type of antenna to RCA TFU-30J; make changes in antenna structure and equipment and increase antenna height above average terrain to ~~1302 feet~~. REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.610(d)OF COMM'S RULES AND REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SECTION 73.652(a)OF COMMISSION'S RULES TO PERMIT THE STATION TO BE IDENTIFIED AS WCHU,"CHAMPAIGN-DANVILLE", ILLINOIS. Atty:McKenna & Wilkinson Engr: David Steel & Associates	$100.00 fee paid GRANTED	fee paid 6-7-66

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Call Letters W C H U

Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Champaign, Illinois ZIP 68602

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
ENGR. DATA Rec. & file	4-28-66 4-29-66	ENGR. DATA submitted pursuant to Memorandum Opinion & Order adopted 4-20-66, effective 5-31-66 in Docket 14229 for modified instrument of authorization to specify Ch. 15, 476-592 Mcs in lieu of Ch. 21, 512-518 Mcs.	GRANTED SEE BPCT-3504	6-7-66
BPCT-3504 AMENDED R & F	Cont'd 4-28-66 4-29-66	AMENDED to change frequency from CH.21, 584-590 mcs. to CH.15, 476-482 mcs (Pursuant to Fifth Report and Order in Docket 14229) change ERP: to Vis.146kw(Horiz.) Aur.29.1kw (Horiz.) makechange in the antenna structure and change antenna height above average terrain to 1300 feet.	GRANTED	6-7-66
BMLCT-626 R & F	6-10-66 6-14-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 2.96 kw to 1.1 kw. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	8-9-66

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

CH. 15 Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-6323 R & F	6-24-66 6-27-66	Mod. of CP (BPCT-3504 which authorized changes in existing station) to make the following changes: ERP: Vis. 647 kw (Horz) Aur. 129 kw (Horz), and type of transmitter: RCA TTU-50C. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	9-28-66
BMPCT-6463 R & F	1-4-67 1-17-67	Modification of CP(BPCT-3504, as mod., which authorized changes in an existing station) to extend completion date from 2-7-67 to 2-28-67. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty. (Thomas N. Frohock)	GRANTED	3-23-67
AMENDED R & F	2-6-67 2-8-67	AMENDED to extend completion date to 8-7-67.		

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

CH.15 CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLCT-1701 R & F AUG 9 1967	7-18-67 7-21-67	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3504,as mod.)which authorized changes in an existing station. Thomas N. Frohock,Atty.(McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	8-31-67
BRCT-479 R & F SEP 1 1967	8-25-67 8-31-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE John L. Tierney,Atty.(McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	11-24-67
Rq for remote control ENGR.DATA FILED 7-7-70		filed 11-7-69		
BRCT-479 Rec. & filed PN Recd PRESS SEP 4 1970	8-20-70 8-28-70 8--28-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Carl R. Ramey (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	11-25-70
Annual filing fee $360.00 paid 12-1-70 #647097.				
BPCT-4499 R & F #042920 $50 AC: 062 PRESS: FEB 28 1972	2-7-72 2-18-72 2-18-72	CP to make chgs. in transmitting equipment. Atty.: John Tierney	GRANTED	3-28-72

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Ch. 15 Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCTV-51 Rec. & filed $50 #047707 AC: 069 PRESS:	2-15-72 3-3-72 3-3-72 MAR 17 1972	Request authority to operate remote control from 17 East University Ave., Champaign, Illinois Carl R. Ramey, McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner	GRANTED	6-28-72
BTC-6898 R & F #088562 $250 AC: 055 PRESS:	6-29-72 7-5-72 7-5-72 JUL 11 1972	Voluntary transfer of negative control of licensee corporation from Transcontinental Properties, Inc. to Cecile Burger and Herbert Scheftel, Voting Trustees. Atty.: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED EFF:	7-31-72 8-8-72
BMLCT-765 R & F #203059 $50 AC: 062 PRESS: JUL 13 1973	5-31-73 6-20-73 6-20-73	Mod. of lic. to chg. ERP Aur. 64.7kW; and chg. SL: Interstate Research Park on Interstate Drive, Champaign, Illinois. Atty: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	8-29-72

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

CH-15 CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-479 R & F IN REC'D PRESS:	8-2-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 SEP 20 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Amended 11-1-73 re legal	GRANTED	11 28 73
BLCT-2239 R&F #226158$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	8-6-73 8-22-73 8-22-73 NOV 14 1973	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4499) for chgs. Atty: Carl R. Ramey(McKenna, Wilkinson &Kittner)	GRANTED	12-14-73
BTC-7754 R & F #424076 $150. AC 051 Form 316 PRESS:	4-30-75 5-7-75 15 MAY 1975	Involuntary transfer of negative control of licensee corporation from Cecile Burger and Herbert Scheftel, Voting Trustees to Herbert Scheftel and Andrew Burger, Voting Trustees. Atty: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED EFF:	5-20-75 6-2-75

95 A 6/12/80 115.00 reimbursed. Approved
expenses pd 50.00 extra

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
CH-15 CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-479 R&F PN RECD PRESS	6-18-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 25 AUG 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Carl Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Contours filed, Annual report filed. Amended 10-6-76 additional response Amended 11-29-76 employment policy	GRANTED	11-30-76
BTC-8482 R&F PRESS (Form 316)	8-31-77 9-26-77 OCT 31 1977	Voluntary transfer of control of ~~Plains Television Corporation~~ from H&E Balaban Corporation and Herbert Scheftel and Andrew Burger as Voting Trustees (negative control) to Elmer Balaban, Harry Balaban and Ida Balaban Scully as Voting Trustees. Atty.: Thomas Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED EFF:	3-13-78

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

CH-15 Champaign, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTCTV-790521KI R&F PN Rec'd (form 316) Press	5-21-79 '79 0613	Vol. TC from Elmer Balaban, Harry Balaban and Ida Balaban Scully as Voting Trustees; et al to Harry Balaban and Elmer Balaban, Individually and as Voting Trustee. Carl R. Ramey, Atty.	Gr. EFF:	4-7-80 5/29/80
BRCT-790801LK R & F PN REC'D PRESS	7-23-79 8-1-79 8-1-79 '79 0907	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: CARL R. RAMEY {MCKENNA, WILKINSON * KITTNER}	g GRANTED	11-30-79 11-30-79

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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 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.