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Form BC 126
June 1954 #4063

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

(SEE CARD #2 FOR NAME)

W M Y D 6-1-79

Date first licensed 2-8-62 Call letters xWKFD

xRonald L. Hickman tr/as Adman Radio Company(AL 9-28-73 EFF: 11-16-73)

Station location Wickford, Rhode Island

x RONALD L. HICKMAN AND LOUIS C. ADLER dba ADLER RADIO COMPANY (AL 6-29-69 EFF: 6-27-69)

xJOSEPH A.DeCUBELLIS,tr/as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY(AL-8-10-64 EFF: 8-26-64

(AP 3-1-61: EFF 3-3161

x JACK C. SALERA AND JOSEPH A. DECUBELLIS dba SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY/

Name of licensee xJACK C. SALERA, tr/as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY

19 Updike Street, North Kingstown, Rhode Island (re-description Let. 12-5-61

Transmitter location XRear 39 Updike Street, Wickford, Rhode Island (BP 6-1-60)

12852 19 Updike Street, North Kingstown, Rhode Island(redescription Let. 12-5-61)

Main studio location XRear 39 Updike Street, Wickford, Rhode Island(BP 6-1-60)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
BP-11383	6-1-60	1370kc	500w	Day	8-1	2-1-61
	CP for a new standard broadcast station.					
BP-11383	10-14-60	Mod. of CP(BP-11383) to assign Call Letters.				
BMP-9287 (2)	2-13-61	Ext. of completion date to 6-1-61				
BAP-712 EFF:	3-1-61 3-31-61	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Jack C. Salera and Joseph A. DeCubellis d/b as South County Broadcasting Company				
BMP-9533 (3)	7-7-61	Mod. of CP(BP-11383 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 8-1-61.				
BMP-9609 (4)	4-6-61	Mod. CP(BP-11383, as mod.) to chg. time trans. (Daytime 12-1 CST)				
BMP-9673 (5)	8-22-61	Mod. of CP(BP-11383 as mod) for extension of completion date to 10-1-61.				
BL-8817	2-8-62	1370kc	500 w	DAY	2-8-62, 4-1-63	
	Lic. to cov. CP(BP-11383, as mod.) which auth. a new standard broadcast station.					
BRC-1975 (1)	4-13-62	Mod. of ~~CP(BP-11383)~~ License to operate transmitter by remote control from 19 Updike Street, North Kingstown, Rhode Island.				
BR-4063	8-10-64	1370kc	500w	Day	8-10	4-1-66
BAL-4930 EFF	8-10-64 8-26-64	Voluntary assignment of license to Joseph A. DeCubellis, tr/as South County Broadcasting Company				
BR-4063	3-21-66	1370kc	500w	Day	4-1	4-1-69
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	ESA	500w			
BR-4063(S)	3-26-69	Renewal of License			4-1	4-1-72
BAL-[illegible]	6-[illegible]-69	VOL. AL				
EFF:	6-27-69					
BR-4063(L)	3-30-72	RENEWAL			4-1-75	
EBSA	6-12-72					
BAL-7945	9-28-73	VOL. AL				
EFF:	11-16-73					
BAL-8223	9-26-74	VOL. AL	EFF:			
BR-4063(L)	3-31-75	Renewal of License			4-1-78	

BC-126
February 1974 #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 2-8-62

Call letters W K F D

Station location

Name of licensee
ACTON COMMUNICATIONS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC. (AL: 1-25-80 EFF: 1-28-80
x ACTON COMMUNICATIONS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC. (AL: 4-27-79 EFF: 5-10-79
x LIVE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (AL-7-29-77 EFF: 8-9-77)
X THE RADIO LIGHTHOUSE, INC. (BAL 9-26-74, Eff: 11-25-74

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
BAL-8988	7-29-77	VOL. AL	EFF:	8-9-77	
BR-4063	3-13-78	(L) REN. OF LICENSE			4-1-81
BAL781127EA	4-27-79	VOL. AL		EFF:	5-10-79
EBSA	6-1-79	chg. call			
BAL791217FR	1-25-80	VOL. AL	EFF:	1-28-80	

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW WKFD

Name JACK C. SALERA, tr/as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY
(P.O. - 25 Seventh Street, Providence, Rhode Island)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
~~BP-11,383~~ ~~BP-10,972~~ Rec'd Filed	12-11-56 12-14-56 12-14-56	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1370kc Power - 500w Hours of operation - Daytime Transmitter location - ~~East of Junc. Middle Bridge Rd. - Boston Neck Rd. Narragansett Pier~~, Rhode Island Studio location - Same as transmitter Atty. - Haig Barsamian, Providence, R.I. Engr. - Peter B. Gemma, Providence, R.I.	GRANTED DOCKET NO. 12593 GRANTED AFTER HEARING	6-1-60
AMENDMENT Rec'd Filed	3-4-57 3-6-57 3-6-57	AMENDED to change station location to ~~NARRAGANSETT,~~ RHODE ISLAND.		
AMENDMENT R & F	6-14-57 6-20-57	AMENDED to change antenna-trans. & studio loc. to Rear 39 Updike Street, Wickford, Rhode Island, make changes in antenna(decr. hght) & gr. system and change station loc. to WICKFORD, RHODE ISLAND (New file number assigned - BP-11,383) Applicant now represented by Benedict P. Cottone per letter 11-8-58 from applicant.		

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FORM BC-121 #2
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW WKFD

Name JACK C. SALERA, tr/as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
~~(SEE CARD #1, BP-11,383)~~				
AMENDMENT Rec'd Filed	7-1-59 7-9-59 9-18-59	Amended to make changes in antenna (incr. hght) and ground system.	GRANTED	6-1-60
BAP-512 Rec'd Filed	11-19-60 12-30-60 12-30-60	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Jack C. Salera and Joseph A. Decubellis d/b as South County Broadcasting Company. Donald P. MacDonald, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	3-1-61 3=31-61
BMP-9287 R & F	1-7-61 1-13-61	Modification of C. P. (BP-11383, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 2-1-61 to 6-1-61. Atty's: Smith & Pepper	GRANTED to	2-13-61 6-1-61
BMP-9533 Rec'd&Filed	5-22-61 5-23-61	Modification of CP(BP-11,383 as mod. which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension completion date from 6-1-61 to 8-1-61. Smith and Pepper, Attys.	GRANTED	7-7-61

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

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AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W.K.F.D.

Name Jack C. Salera & Joseph A. DeCubellis d/bas South County Broadcasting Company
Wickford, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-9609 R&F	7-5-61 7-7-61	Mod of C.P. (BP-11,383 as mod which auth a new standard B/C station) to chg type trans.(Raytheon RA-1000) Atty: Smith and Pepper	GRANTED	8-8-61
BMP-9673 R&F	7-27-61 7-31-61	Mod of CP (BP-11383 as mod which auth a new standard B/C station) for extension of completion date from 8-1-61 to 10-1-61. Atty: Smith and Pepper	GRANTED	8-22-61
BL-8817 R & F	9-13-61 9-18-61	License to cover C.P. (BP-11383 as modified) which authorized ~~install~~ a new standard broadcast station. Atty. Smith and Pepper	GRANTED	2-8-62
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FORM BC-121 #4
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKFD

Name JACK C. SALERA AND JOSEPH A. DECUBELLIS d/b as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY
Wickford, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRC- 1975 Rec'd Filed	12-12-61 12-19-61 12-19-61	Mod. of CP(BP-11383) to operate transmitter by remote control from 19 Updike Street, North Kingstown, Rhode Island.	GRANTED (Issued as Mod. Lic.)	4-13-62
BAL-4494 Rec'd Filed	3-21-62 3-23-62 3-23-62	Voluntary assignment of license to Southern New England Broadcasting Co., Inc. Keith E. Putbrese, Atty.	DISMISSED Req. of applicant	8-29-63
BR-4063 Rec'd & Filed	3-8-63 3-18-63 3-18-63	Renewal of license	GRANTED (Cond'l re BAL-4930 be consummated in 20 days)	8-10-64

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AUG. 1955 #5

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKFD

Name ~~Jack G. Salera and~~ Joseph A. DeCubellis tr/ ~~d/b~~ as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY
Wichford, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-4930 R. & F.	8-6-63 10-4-63	Voluntary assigment of license to Joseph A. DeCubellis tr/as SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY. Atty- Smith & Pepper	GRANTED EFF	8-10-64 8-26-64
BP- Recd	5-21-65 5-25-65	Construction permit to change frequency from 1370kc to 1170kc; increase power from 500w to 5kw (1kw CH); delete remote control, install new trans.(RCA 5DX); make changes in ground system and antenna system (inc. hgt.) (Request waiver of Sec. 1.569(b)(2)(i). Attys-Smith & Pepper Engr-Raymond E. Rohrer	RETURNED Waiver denied-Ltr. by dir. of Comm.	12-22-65

FORM BC-121 #6
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1370kc

Call Letters WKFD

RONALD L. HICKMAN AND LOUIS C. ADLER DBA ADMAN RADIO COMPANY

Name xJOSEPH A. DECUBELLIS TR/AS SOUTH COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY
Wickford, Rhode Island 02852

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-4063 R & F	12-28-65 12-30-65	Renewal of license Atty- Donald E. Bilger (Smith & Pepper)	GRANTED	3-21-66
BR-4063 R & F #479478 $75. PRESS JAN 8 1969	12-19-68 12-23-68 12-23-68	Renewal of license AMENDED 3-10-69 re: supplemental programming Arthur V. Weinberg	GRANTED	3-26-69
BAL-6621 R & F FEE PD: $105 (remote included) APR 3 1969 ublnotice filed 4-15-69	3-16-69 3-19-69 -#500005	Vol. assignment of license to Ronald L. Hickman and Louis C. Adler dba ADMAN RADIO COMPANY Atty - Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker PETITION TO DENY FILED 5-5-69 by Jack C. Salera and request for hearing	GRANTED EFF:	6-25-69 6-27-69
AMENDMENT	REQUEST to 6-17-69	disregard above petition & Affidavits filed 6-11-69 by Atty Knauer Re: Financial data.		

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

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W K F D

Ronald L. Hickman tr/as Adman RadioCompany

Name x RONALD L. HICKMAN AND LOUIS C. ADLER d/b as ADMAN RADIO COMPANY
WICKFORD, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-4063 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JAN 13 1972	12-29-71 1-3-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Leon T. Knauer, Atty AMENDED 2-22-72 re: commercial policy; prog.	granted	3-30-72
BTC R & F FEE PD: $1000 #207412 CODE 047 (Form 315) FEE RET'D 7-30-73	6-25-73 6-28-73	Voluntary assignment of license to Ronald L. Hickman tr/as Adman Radio Company (SEE OVER) Atty - Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker	RET'D Req. of atty (316 submitted)(below)	7-30-73
BAL-7943 R & F FEE PD: $250 #216444 CODE 049(FORM 316) JUL 31 1973	7-14-73 7-20-73	Voluntary assignment of license to RONALD L. HICKMAN tr/as ADMAN RADIO COMPANY Mutually contingent on grant of BTC-7209(WOTB(fm) Atty - Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker	GRANTED EFF:	9-28-73 11-16-73

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

RE: BTC ATTY WAS CALLED ~~[illegible]~~ 7-9-73 - wrong form could be filed on 316

FORM BC-121 #8
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ....W.K.F.D.....

LIVE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
xxTHE RADIO LIGHTHOUSE, INC.
Name X RONALD L. HICKMAN tr/as ADMAN RADIO COMPANY
Wickford, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-8223 R & F FEE PD $250 #337372 CODE 047 (Form 316) SEP 11 1974	7-1-74 8-20-74	Voluntary assignment of license to THE RADIO LIGHTHOUSE, INC. (SEE OVER) Atty - Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker	GRANTED EFF:	9-26-74 11-25-74
BR-4063 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JAN 27 1975	11-25-74 11-27-74 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Leon T. Knauer, Atty.	GRANTED	3-31-75
BAL-8988 R & F (Form 314) MAY 12 1977 Pub notice filed 5-10-77 PN filed	4-8-77 4-13-77 5/24/77	Voluntary assignment of license to LIVE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. Atty for assignee - Miller & Fields (SEE OVER)	GRANTED EFF:	7-29-77 8-9-77

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

RE: BAL-8223 - ATTY WAS CALLED 9-9-74 - By Laws incomplet
and not certified. 10-10-74 N.H.
RE: BAL-8988 - Assignee is licensee of WCNL(Art on file)
Assignee is N.Y. corp - Cert of Auth for R.I. not filed
AMENDED 7-13-77 - bank ltr re loan & Cert of Auth 7-13-77
Statment re payroll - filed 7-22-77

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WMYD
xWKFD

ACTON COMMUNICATIONS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC.
x ACTON COMMUNICATIONS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC.
Name xLIVE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
WICKFORD, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-4063 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-9-77 11-14-77 " JAN 13 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-13-78
BAL 781127EA PRESS Form 314 PN FILED	DEC 11 1978 12-7-78	Vol AL to Acton Communications of Rhode Island, Inc. (over) REQUEST WAIVER SEC. 1.597 Atty for assignor-Mark E. Fields Atty for assignee-Richard Rodin	GRANTED EFF:	4-27-79 5-10-79
BAL791217FR Form 316 PRESS	12-12-79 JAN 8 1980	Vol. AL to ACTON COMMUNICATIONS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC. (A Rhode Island Corp) (over) Atty - Richard Rodin (Hogan & Hartson)	GRANTED EFF:	1-25-80 1-28-80

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

BAL781127EA Amended 2-5-79 re: B/c ownership & int. of WKFD stockholders & Affidavit supporting Sec. 1.597
Corrected by laws (and certification) filed 12-12-79
AMENDED 2-21-79 re: reason for sale of station

AMENDED 3-9-79 re: Auth. tdb in Rhode Island

AMENDED 4-16-79 re: legal data - stock of Acton Corp.
AMENDED 4-19-79 - re B/C, bus & newspaper int.
AMENDED 4-24-79 re b/c, bus interests

BAL791217FR Note: Assignor is Mass. corp./Assignee is Rhode Island corp.

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

1370 khz.

Call Letters: WMYD

Name: ACTION COMMUNICATIONS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC.

Station Location: WICKFORD, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR-801126VC PRESS	DEC 18 1980	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Richard S. Rodin	MJ 3/30/81 ISSUED

Form BC-121
March 1979

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.