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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Off. No. 538

Date first licensed 6-14-50

Call letters ~~KSXD~~ x K N A X (EFF. 3-16-81) x K M J - FM

LOCATION: FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

x McCLATCHY BROADCASTING (ALH gr 2/2/77 EFF:NOT CONSUMMATED (Lts sent 2/28/77)

xx McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS (BALH 8-15-57) EFF. 9-30-57

Name of licensee X McCLATCHY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Between E & G Sts. & between Stanislaus & Calaveras Sts., Fresno, Calif.(Redes)

x Redes: Stanislaus & Van Ness, Fresno, California

X Between E & C Sts., & between Stanislaus & Calaveras St.,Fresno, Calif.

x Madera & North Avenues, Near Kerman, California (PH-4-23-69)

Transmitter location ~~Approx. 19 mi. ESE of Fresno, Calif. on Mount Campbell~~

3636 North First Street, Fresno, California (SH-9-13-76)

x Same as Transmitter(PH-4-23-69) L 10-11-73

X 1515 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno, California (BRCH-6-7-57)

xx Corner Van Ness & Calaveras, Fresno, California

1559 Van Ness Ave., Fresno, Calif.

1559 Van Ness, Fresno, California

Main studio location

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
	8-18-47	97.9 mcs. Ch#250	Proposed assignment		
55-PH-472	2-5-48	97.9 mc Ch #250	34 kw Terr:	U 1,310 Ft.	By 5-10-48 to 11-10-48
C. P. issued		(sub. to	approved	type transmitter)	
BMPH-2699	10-18-49	Ext. of completion date to 2-10-49.			
BMPH-3076	1-18-49	Ext. of completion date only to 5-10-49			
BMPH-3389	4-20-49	Ext. of compl. date Subj. conditionally			To 9-10-49
BMPH-3776	9-23-49	Ext. of compl. date			To 10-10-49
Telegram	10-4-49	Relet atty 28. Auth. gr. period ending 10-10-49 op. 97.9 mcs. using Westinghous FM-3 with 3 kw. output power and 8-sec. Composite V antenna mounted on KMJ ant. 660 ft. above ground re. FM prog. serv.			
Telegram	10-10-49	Relet atty 10. Auth. ext. period ending 10-24-49 op. accord. Comm. wire 10-4-49			
Telegram	10-24-49	Relet atty 21. Auth. ext. period ending 11-10-49 accord. Comm. wire 10-4-49			
BMPH-3837	10-19-49	Ext. of completion date to 11-10-49			
Telegram	11-9-49	Relet atty 2. Auth. ext. period ending 12-10-49 op. accord. Comm. wire 10-4-49			
Telegram	12-7-49	Relet atty 2. Auth. ext. period ending 4-30-50 op. accord. Comm. wire 10-4-49			
BMPH-3856	11-15-49	Ext. of completion date to 4-30-50			
BMPH-3817	3-13-50	97.9	7.3 kw.	630 ft.	To 4-30-50
Change site; trans.; and antenna system					
Telegram	4-25-50	Relet atty 21. Auth. ext. period ending 5-30-50 op. using fac. in BMPH-3817			
BMPH-4143	5-2-50	Ext. of compl. date			To 5-30-50
BLH-635	6-14-50	License to cover CP (BPH-472 as mod.) 6-14-50 to 3-1-52.			
BSH-538	2-27-52	Ext. of license to			6-1-52
BSH-538	5-21-52	Ext. of license to			9-1-52
BSH-538	7-30-52	Renewal of license to			12-1-53

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters KMJ-FM

Name of licensee X McCLATCHY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmister location .....

Main studio location .....

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BRH-538	11-4-53	Renewal	of license to		12-1-56
BRH-538	11-14-56	Renewal	of license to		12-1-59 (S)
RRBC BRCH-184	6-7-57	Cpr. by RC From 1615 Van Ness Ave. Fresno, Calif.			
BALH-289 EFF.	8-15-57 9-30-57	Voluntary assgn of lic. to McClatchy Newspapers			
BRH-538	11-4-59	97.9 mcs. 7.3k		U	12-1 12-1-62
BRH-538	11-28-62	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-65
BRH-538	11-15-65	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-68
BRH-538(S)	11-26-68	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-71
BPH-6676 HAAT:290'	4-23-69 (h&v)	97.9mc. ch#250 CP chg. ant-rans, studio & RC loc; install new trans; new ant; chg. TPO; ERP(h&v); and chg. HAAT:	ERP:48kw(h&v) TPO: 10kw (RC)	U	12-23-69
BMPH-10,872 (1)	12-3-69	MP(BPH-6676) ext. time to			6-1-70
NDEA	2-19-70				
BMPH-11,072 (2)	6-8-70	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) ext. time			12-1-70
BMPH-13,062 (3)	11-24-70	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) ext time			5-19-71
BMPH-13221 (4)	5-18-71	MP(BPH-6676 as mod)ext. time			10-1-71.
BMPH-13221(5)	5-20-71	MP (BPH-6676) chg. trans., antenna & TPO: 17kw			
BMPH-13,354(6)	11-2-71	MP(BPH-6676 as mod.) ext. time			4-1-72
BRH-538(S)	3-8-72	RENEWAL & NDEA			12-1-74
BMPH-13,478 (7)	3-27-72	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) EXT. time			10-1-72
EBSA	5-25-72				
BMPH-13,583 (8)	9-11-72	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) Extension time			3-1-73

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ....K.M.J.FM.....

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
BMPH 13693 (9)	2-23-73	MP(BPH-6676 as mod.) Extension time 9-1-73			
BLH-5919(L)	10-11-73	Lic.(BPH-6676, as mod.)-Changes-12-1-74			
		97.9mhz	46kwH&V	290'H&V	RC
BSH-538(1)	1-11-74	ML redescribe SL, RC & TL.			
BSH-538(2)	9-13-76	ML to change SL and RC			
BALH-2189	2/2/77	Vol ALH EFF: NOT CONSUMMATED (Ltr. sent 2/28/77)			
BRH-538(L)	6-15-77	Renewal of License			12-1-77
BRH-538	11-16-77	(S) renewal OF LIC.			12-1-80
BTCH781109EF	3-12-80	VOL. TC EFF: 5-13-80 COMM. MEM. OPINION & ORDER			
E B S A	3-16-81	CALL SIGN CHANGE			

Form 94

HIGH FREQUENCY (FM)

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

K M J - FM

Call letters ~~NEW~~ ~~K T X D~~

Name McCLATCHY BROADCASTING COMPANY
(~~P.O. Vila 7th Street~~, Sacramento, Calif.)
(PO 21st. & Q Streets, Sacramento, Calif.) Ltr. 5-28-52

FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION: NATURE	ACTION: DATE
B5-PH-472 Rec'd Filed	1-17-45 1-27-45 4-4-45	Construction permit for new high frequency FM broadcast station Frequency: 46,700 kcs., Coverage: 14,500 Sq. Mi. Population: 412,810 Studio: 1559 Van Ness Street, Fresno, Calif. Transmitter: On Mt. Campbell, E. of Fresno, Calif. South of California Route 180. (RCA FM-10-A Max. 10kw) Filed by C. Walter Harris, Att'y Amendment re Comm. letter of 9-7-45 recd. 10-5-45. No change. (Metropolitan) Program analysis recd. 4-23-47	Granted conditionally 4-23-47. Class "B" station. Letter mailed 5-9-47. C. P. issued Gr. 2-5-48 Exp. 11-10-48 (subj. to approval of trans.)	

George C. Davis, Engineer

CARD # 2
FCC Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters: K M J- FM

Name: McCLATCHY BROADCASTING COMPANY
P. O. 911 7th Street, Sacramento, Calif.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-2699 Recd. Filed	10-7-48 10-11-48 10-11-48	Mod. of C. P. (B5-PH-472) which authorized a new FM Broadcast station for extension of completion date from 11-10-48 to 5-10-49. Filed by Francis X. McDonough, Atty.	GRANTED	10-18-48 to 2-10-49
BMPH-3076 Recd. Filed	1-10-49 1-12-49 1-12-49	Mod. of C. P. (B5-PH-472 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 2-10-49 to 8-10-49. Filed by Clair L. Stout, Atty.	GRANTED to	1-18-49 5-10-49
BMPH-3389 Recd. Filed	4-6-49 4-11-49 4-11-49	Mod. of C. P. (B5-PH-472 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 5-10-49 to 9-10-49. Filed by Clair L. Stout, Atty.	GRANTED Subj. cond'l to	4-20-49 9-10-49
BMPH-3776 Recd. Filed	8-31-49 9- 6-49 9- 6-49	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-472 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 9-10-49 to 10-10-49. Filed by Francis X. McDonough, Att'y	GRANTED	9-23-49

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters KMJ-FM

Name McCLATCHY BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-3817 Recd Filed	9-14-49 9-20-49 9-20-49	Mod. of C.P. (BPH-472 as modified - which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station) to change transmitter site from Mount Campbell, approx. 19 miles ESE of Fresno to Madera & North Aves Near Kerman; E.R.P. from 34 kw. to 7.8 kw.; transmitter to Westinghouse, FM-3, 3 kw.; ant. ht. abv. aver. terrain to 633 ft. & make changes in antenna system. Filed by Francis McDonough, Atty	GRANTED	3-13-50
BMPH-3837 Recd. Filed	10-6-49 10-10-49 10-10-49	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-472 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 10-10-49 to 10-24-49 Filed by Francis X. McDonough, Att'y	GRANTED Expires	10-19-49 11-10-49
BMPH-3856 Recd. Filed	10-19-49 10-21-49 10-21-49	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-472 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 11-10-49 to 4-30-50. Filed by Francis X. McDonough, Att'y	GRANTED	11-15-49

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Card #4

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KMJ-FM

Name MCCLATCHY BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-4143 Recd. Filed	4-18-50 4-21-50 4-21-50	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-472 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 4-30-50 to 5-30-50. Filed by Francis X. McDonough, Att'y	GRANTED	5-2-50
BLH-635 Recd & Filed	5-23-50 5-29-50	License to cover C.P. (BPH-472 as mod.) which authorized a new FM b/c station. Filed by Francis McDonough, Atty.	GRANTED	6-14-50
BRH-538 Recd. Filed	11-29-51 12-3-51 12-3-51	Renewal of license Filed by Clair L. Stout, Attorney	Granted	7-30-52
BRH-538 Recd. & Filed	8-28-53 9- 2-53	Renewal of license. Alfred Cordon, atty	GRANTED	11-4-53

CARD 5
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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
McCLATCHY B/CG. CO.
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

Call Letters KMJ-FM

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-538 Recd & filed 9-4-56	8-28-56	Renewal of license Thomas J. Dougherty, atty	GRANTED	11-14-56
BRCH-184 Recd & filed	5-28-57 5-31-57	Transmitter may be operated by Remote control from 1515 Van Ness Avenue, Fresno, California. Filed by Thomas J. Dougherty, atty	GRANTED	6-7-57
BALH-289 Rec'd Filed	7-29-57 8-2-57 8-2-57	Voluntary assignment of license to McClatchy Newspapers Dow, Lohnes & Albertson, Attys.	GRANTED EFF.	8-15-57 9-30-57
BRH-538 Rec'd&Filed	8-31-59 9-2-59	Renewal of license. Dow, Lohnes & Albertson, Attys.	GRANTED	11-4-59
BRH-538 Rec'd Filed	8-31-62 9-4-62 9-4-62	Renewal of license Atty.: Francis X. McDonough	GRANTED	11-28-62

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

Let. dated 9-27-65 from Roberts & Wall (DIA) req. ext. 50% non-dup Rule thru 11-29-65.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KMJ-FM

Name MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
Fresno, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-538 R & F	8-30-65 9-7-65	Renewal of license Atty- Dow, Lohnes and Albertson	GRANTED	11-15-65
BRH-538 R & F #456036 $75 SEP 30 1968	8/23/68 9/3/68 9/3/68	Renewal of license Atty: Charles J. McKerns AMENDED 10-21-68 re: Commercial Matter	GRANTED	11-26-68
BPH-6676 R & F #503429 $30 APR 10 1969	3-24-69 4-1-69 4-1-69	CP chg. ant-trans,studio & RC loc. to Between E & G Sts., & between Stanislaus & Calaveras St., Fresno, Calif.; install new trans(CCA-BTF-10E); new ant(RCA-BFC-10, 10secs); make chg. in ant. system(decr. hght);chg. TPO:10kw; ERP: 47.63kw; and HAAT: 289 ft. (H+V) Atty - L. Adrian Roberts(Dow, Lohnes etc.) Engr.: Walter Davis	GRANTED	4-23-69

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

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Call Letters K M J-FM

Name MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-10,872 R & F #558316 $30 PRESS:	11-18-69 11-20-69 11-20-69 NOV 26 1969	MP(BPH-6676) ext. time to 6-23-70(FOR CHGS.) Atty - Charles J. McKern(Dow, Lohnes etc.)	GRANTED to	12-3-69 6-1-70
BMPH-11,072 R & F 604144$30. PRESS:	5-22-70 5-25-70 5-25-70 8 JUN 1970	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) ext. time to 12-1-70 (FOR CHGS). Atty-L. Adrian Roberts(Dow, Lohnes etc).	GRANTED	6-8-70
BMPH-13,062 Rec'd Filed #642181$50 CODE: 068 PRESS: NOV 18 1970	10-29-70 11-3-70 11-9-70 11-9-70	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) ext. time to 6-1-71(FOR CHGS). Atty-Charles J. McKerns(Dow, Lohnes etc).	GRANTED	11-24-70

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Call Letters K M J-FM

Name McClatchy Newspapers
Fresno, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-13,221 R & F #500227 CODE 068 PRESS: MAY 3 1971	4-16-71 4-21-71 4-21-71	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) ext. time to 10-1-71(FOR CHGS). Atty-Ralph W. Hardy, Jr.(Dow & Lohnes etc).	GRANTED to	5-18-71 10-1-71.
BMPH-13,231 R & F #002251 $50. CODE 061 PRESS: 14 MAY 1971	4-22-71 4-23-71 4-23-71	MP(BPH-6676 as mod)chg. Trans(Sparta-620); Ant(Jampro-JSCP-6, 3 horiz. & vert. sects). chg. TPO: 16.75kw. Atty-Charles J. McKerns(Dow. & Lohnes etc). Engr-None.	GRANTED	5-20-71
BRH-538 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 27 1971	8-27-71 9-2-71 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Chas.J.McKerns,Atty.	GRANTED	3-8-72

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

97.9mc.

Call Letters K M J-FM

Name McClatchy Newspapers
Fresno, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-13,354 R & F #006424 $50 CODE: 068 PRESS: 20 OCT 1971	9-16-71 9-23-71 9-23-71	MP(BPH-6676 as mod) ext. time to 4-1-72 (FOR CHANGES). Atty - L. Adrian Roberts	GRANTED	11-2-71
AMENDED	10-8-71	add. infor. regarding reason for ext.		
BMPH-13,478 R & F #048669 $50 Code 068 Press MAR 17 1972	3-3-72 3-8-72 3-8-72	MP (BPH-6676, as mod.) ext. time to 10-1-72. (For Changes) Atty - Charles J. McKerns	GRANTED TO:	3-27-72 10-1-72
BMPH-13,583 R & F #099694 $50 Code 068 Press AUG 25 1972	8-3-72 8-11-72 8-11-72	MP (BPH-6676, as mod.) ext. time to _____. (FOR CHANGES) Atty: L. Adrian Roberts	GRANTED TO	9-11-72 3-1-73

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

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

97.9mhz

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Name McClatchy Newspapers
Fresno, California

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-13,693 R & F #150248 $50 Code 068 Press FEB	1-29-73 2-1-73 2-1-73 14 1973	MP (BPH-6676, as mod.) ext. time to 9-1-73. (For Changes) Atty: Charles J. McKerns	GRANTED TO:	2-23 73 9-1-73
BLH-5919 R & F W 224988-$50. PTA PRESS	8-15-73 8-20-73 8-20-73-AC 8-27-73 SEP 20 1973	Lic.(BPH-6676, as mod.) for changes. T-SL redes: Stanislaus & Van Ness, Fresno, Calif. -057-Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson(L.Adrian Roberts)	GRANTED	10-11-73
BRH-538 R & F PN Recd. FILED PRESS	7-25-74 8-21-74 " 8-21-74 SEP 13 1974	RENEWAL OF LICENSE L.Adrian Roberts,Atty. AMENDED 12-24-74 re: EEO	Granted	6-15-77

PETITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO DENY RENEWAL APPLICATIONS (AM, FM & TV) filed 11-1-74 by attorneys Sinclair Gearing, D. Bruce Pearson & Robert D. Stewart(over)

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

(BRH-538) OPPOSITION OF MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS TO PETITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO DENY RENEWAL APPLICATION filed 2-14-75 by Charles J. McKerns, counsel on behalf of McClatchy Newspapers

ERRATA TO OPPOSITION OF MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS TO PETITION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO DENY RENEWAL APPLICATION filed 3-5-75 by Mc Clatchy Newspapers

REPLY OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO OPPOSITION OF McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS, INC. TO PETITION OT DENY RENEWAL APPLICATIONS filed 3-31-75 by Sinclair Gearing, counsel on behalf of United States Department of Justice

NOTICE OF ERRATA APPEARING IN REPLY OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO OPPOSITION OF McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS, INC. TO PETITION TO DENY RENEWAL APPLICATIONS filed 4-11-75 by Sinclair Gearing, counsel on behalf of the Department of Justice

AMENDED 10-3-75 re: community survey

AMENDED 1-6-76 re: litigation

AMENDED 2-26-76 re: litigation & EEO complaint

MEMORANDUM OPINION & ORDER Adopted 9-28-76 Petition to Deny filed by the Department of Justice DENIED

AMENDED 9-16-76 re: EEO

AMENDED 1-17-77 re: litigation

AMENDED 3-30-77 re: litigation

AMENDED 4-27-77 re: litigation

AMENDED 5-5-77 re: litigation

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
xMcCLATCHY BROADCASTING
Name xMcCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
Fresno, Calif.

Call Letters K M J-FM

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-7621 R & F FEE PD: $250 #372617 CODE 049(Form 316) ALSO SEE AM ETC DEC 16 1974	12-4-74 12-10-74	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic corp by Eleanor McClatchy, Individually and as Voting Trustee, thru change in Voting Trust (5 trustees) from Eleanor McClatchy, Trustee, to C.K. McClatchy, John J. Hamlin, ~~and Verne B. Bonette~~, Co-Trustees (SEE AM FOR AMENDMENTS ETC) Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson AMENDED 1-23-75 to delete Verne B. Bonette as Co-Trustee	DISMISSED 5-16-75 (COM LTR) FORM 315 nec.	FEB 6 1975
BALH-2189 R & F FORM 316(SEE AM KMJ FOR FEE PD) OCT 15 1975	9-30-75 10-6-75	Voluntary assignment of license to McCLATCHY BROADCASTING (OVER) Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson(C.McKerns)	GRANTED 2/2/77 EFF: NOT CONSUMMATED Mem. Opin. & Order Released 2/16/77 Ltr. sent 2/28/77 (Auth. not issued)	

BALH-2189 - MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE SHORT FOR APPLICATIONS filed 10-23-75 by Pittman, Lovett, Ford & Kennessey for San Joaquin Comm. Corp.

REQUEST FOR EXT. TIME TO RESPOND TO MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE SHORT FOR APPLS. filed 11-4-75 by Charles McKerns (DL&A) for McClatchy.

#11A

97.9 mhz

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May 1976
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KNAX
XKMJ-FM

Name McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-538	7-25-77	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
R & F	8-1-77			
PN Recd.	"			
PRESS	AUG 24 1977	M.J.McCarthy,Atty.	GRANTED	11-16-77
BTCH781109EF PRESS Form 315 Also see KMJ(AM)	NOV 24 1978	Vol TC from Eleanor McClatchy Individually, as Trustee of five Family Trusts; and as Proxy holder of Charles K. McClatchy's Voting Stock, to Charles K. McClatchy, James B. McClatchy, William E. McClatchy, et al Atty-Dow, Lohnes & Albertson (M.McCarthy)	GRANTED COMM. MEM. OPINION & ORDER EFF:	3-12-80 5-13-80
BRH 800801 Y T PRESS	SEP 23 1980	RENEWAL OF LICENSE L.Adrian Roberts,Atty.	Gr.	ISSUED 11-24-80

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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.