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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W C T N EFF: 3-16-73

Date first licensed 8-13-73

Call letters xW X L N

Station location Potomac-Cabin John, Md.

Name of licensee SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY

Falls Road Golf Course, Potomac, Md. I 8-13-73
xSee Card #2
1 1/2 Mi. North of Inter. of Falls Rd. & South Glen Road, Potomac, Md.
, 10/12/85

Transmitter location XNear inters. of River Rd. and Seven Locks Rd., Potomac, Maryland

7825 Tuckerman Lane, Potomac, Md. (5-14-73) I 8-13-73
X See Card No. 2

Main studio location To be determined. Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland (BC 7-1-64)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-11877	7-1-64	950kc	1kw-DA-D	Day	9-1 3-1-65
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'l)				
BP-11877 (1)	8-13-64	Mod. of letters.	CP(BP-11877) to assign Call		
BMP-11441 (2)	3-1-65	Mod. of completion date to 3-1-66	CP(BP-11,877 as mod.		
BMP-11576 (3)	8-20-65	Mod. of CP(BP-11,877 as mod. for extension of completion date to 3-1-66.			
BMP-11,581	10-12-65	950kc	1kw-DA-D	Day	9-1-64 3-1-66
	Mod of CP(BP-11,877 which auth a new AM B/C station) to chg ant-trans loc to ½ mi. N. of intersection of Falls Rd and South Glen Road, Potomac, Maryland				
BTC-5022 EFF: 4-1--66	2-17-66	Voluntary transfer of control of perm-permittee corp. from Herman Norman, Trustee for "Verlena Seven" to Herman Norman, Philip Shinberg et al (Eight Stockholders)			
BMP-12165 (1)	9-27-67	Mod. of CP(BP-11,877, as mod.) to make changes in antenna system.			
BMP-11,691 (2)	10-24-67	Mod. of CP(BP-11,877 as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 4-15-68			
BMP-12358 (3)	4-17-68	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time 10-15-68			
BMP-12520 (4)	10-29-68	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time 4-15-69			
BMP-12684(5)	5-12-69	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time 10-15-69			
BMP-12813(6)	11-26-69	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time 4-15-70			
BMP-12,93[illegible] (7)	[illegible]-70	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time to 3-[illegible]-71			
BMP-13,1[illegible](8)	[illegible]-5-71	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time. to 7-30-71 (Field intensity values corrected.)			
RECINDED	4-27-71				

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W X L N

Station location POTOMAC-CABIN JOHN, MD.

Name of licensee SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location xFalls Road Golf Course, Potomac, Maryland

Main studio location x (temporary loc.) 142 Congressional Lane, Rockville, Md.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BMP-13,190	(8)4-27-71	MP(BP-11,877) ext time to 9-24-71 (Field intensity values corrected).			
BMP-13,266	7-19-71 Mod. of height.	950kc	1kw DA-D CP (BP-11,877) to increase antenna	Day	9-24-71
BMP-13,290	(1) 9-10-71	MP(BP-11,877) ext. time to 2-1-72			
BMP-13,226	(2) 10-26-71	Mod. of BMP-13,266) to reflect changes in the field intensity.			
BMP-13,226	(3) 12-2-71	Mod. to reflect changes in the field intensity.			
WIRE	3-1-72	Auth. to operate from temporary studio at 142 Congressional Lane, Rockville, Md. extended to expire 5-1-72.			
WIRE	4-21-72	Auth. to operate from temporary studio extended to expire 8-1-72			
WIRE	5-26-72	Auth. to suspend operation (financial reorganization) thru August 24, 1972.			
ERSA	6-12-72				
WIRE	8-28-72	Auth. to suspend operation extended thru 11-24-72.			
WIRE	11-24-72	Auth. to suspend operation extended thru 1-24-73.			
WIRE	1-26-73	Auth. to suspend oper. extended thru 3-24-73			
BTC-6944	2-22-73	VOL TC EFF: COND'L			
WIRE	3-26-73	Auth. to suspend operation extended thru 5-24-73.			
Tel.	3-16-73	Call letters changed to: W C T N			
WIRE	7-25-73	PSA 500watts			
BL-13,120(L)	8-13-73	Lic.(BP-11,877) for New Station 950kc 1kw DA Day			10-1-75

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ~~X~~ W C T N W X L N

Station location Potomac-Cabin John, Md.

Name of licensee Seven Locks Broadcasting Company

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
COMLET	7-15-75	Potomac antenna	Instrument monitor	AM-19 installed	(204)
BR-4919(L) COMTEL	9-12-75 11-26-79	- Stmt. re	RENEWAL sample	system.	10-1-78
BR-4919(S)	4-9-80		RENEWAL		10-1-81
BRC-800404AK (1)	7-9-80	Mod. of License from main studio loc.	operate	by RC	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~WZLN~~ WXLN

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
(P.O. - Ben C. Fisher, 703 Perpetual Bldg., Washington 4, D.C.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-11,877 Rec'd Filed	2-26-58 2-26-58 2-26-58	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 950kc Power - 1kw DA-D Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - Near inters. of River Rd. & Seven Locks Rd. Potomac, Maryland Studio location - ~~Same as transmitter~~ Atty. - Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd Engr. - Serge Bergen	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & non-DA proof. Pre-sunrise operation DOCKET	7-1-64 13227
AMENDMENT R & F	1-14-59 1-16-59	AMENDED to make changes in stockholders.		
AMENDMENT R & F	5-15-59 5-15-59	AMEND. to make changes in stockholdings; change Station Location from Potomac, Md., to Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland and change Main Studio location from transmitter location to "To be determined", Potomac and Cabin John, Maryland		
AMENDED Rec'd Filed(order)	10-27-60 10-27-60 11-15-60	AMENDED to make chgs in Officers, directors & stockholders.		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W X L N

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-11,441 R&F	2-1-65 2-1-65	Modification of construction permit (BP-11,877 which auth. a new AM B/C station) for ext. of completion date from 3-1-65 to 9-1-65. Atty: Ben C.Fisher	GRANTED to	3-1-65 9-1-65
BMP-11,576 R&F	8-2-65 8-2-65	Mod. of C.P.(BP-11,877,which auth a new AM B/C station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-65 to 3-1-66. Atty: Ben C.Fisher	GRANTED to	8-20-65 3-1-66
BMP-11,581 R&F	8-2-65 8-2-65	Mod. of C.P.(BP-11,877 which auth.a new AM B/C station) to change ant.-trans.location to 1/2 mile North of Intersection of Falls Road and South Glen Road,Potomac,Maryland. Atty: Ben C.Fisher Engr: Serge Bergen	GRANTED cond'l re: same BP-11,877 & re: W G M S	10-12-65

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WALM

Name [illegible] BROADCASTING COMPANY
POTOMAC-CABIN JOHN, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
PETITION TO ADD CONDITION TO CONSTRUCTION PERMIT filed 9-9-65 by Pierson, [illegible] for [illegible] - Dismissed as Moot - Ltr. 10-8-65				
PARTIAL OPPOSITION TO "PETITION TO ADD CONDITION TO CONSTRUCTION PERMIT" filed [illegible] by Fisher for permittee				
BMP-11,691 R&F	1-26-66 1-27-66	Modification of CP(BP-11,877 as modified, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 3-1-66 to 9-1-66. Attys: Fisher, Wayland, Duvall and Southmayd	GRANTED TO-	10-24-67 4-15-68
BTC-5022 R & F (Form 316)	1-28-66 2-3-66	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corp. from Herman Norman, Trustee for Verbena Seven" to Herman Norman, Philip Shinberg, et al (8 stockholders) Atty - Ben C. Fisher	GRANTED EFF:	2-17-66 4-[illegible]-66

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Call Letters WXLN

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
POTOMAC-CABIN JOHN, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-12,165 R & F SEP 19 1967	~~8-11-67~~ 8-29-67	Mod. of CP(BP-11,877 as mod which auth a new standard broadcast station) to make changes in antenna system. Atty. Fisher, Wayland, etc.	GRANTED	9-27-67
BMP-12,358 R & F #417040 $30 Press APR 4 1968	3-27-68 3-27-68 3-27-68	MP (BP-11,877 as mod) for extension of completion date from 4-15-68 to 10-15-68. Ben C. Fisher, atty.	GRANTED to	4-17-68 10-15-68
BMP-12,520 R. & F. #458924 $30 OCT 23 1968	9-16-68 9-16-68 9-16-68	MP(BP-11,877, as mod) for extension of completion date to 4-15-69(new). atty-Fisher, Wayland, Duvall and Southmayd	GRANTED to	10-29-68 4-15-69
BMP-12,684 R&F $30-500002 PRESS: APR 16 1969	3-19-69 3-19-69 3-19-69	MP(BP-11,877, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 10-15-69. (New Station) Atty. Ben C. Fisher	GRANTED to	5-12-69 10-15-69

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Call Letters W X L N

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-12,813 R&F $30-541776 PRESS:	9-12-69 9-12-69 9-12-69 NOV 6 1969	MP(BP-11,877 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 4-15-70. New Station Atty. Fisher, Wayland, Duvall and Southmayd	GRANTED to	11-26-69 4-15-70
BMP-12,939 R & F $30-585438	3-16-70 3-16-70 3-16-70 MAR 2 1970	MP(BP-11,877 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 10-15-70 (new) Atty: Fisher, Wayland, Duvall, Southmayd and Conner	GRANTED to	9-30-70 3-24-71
BMP-13,190 Rec'd Filed #667106 $30 #667771 $20 ACC. 067 Press MAR 15 1971	2-22-71 2-22-71 3-1-71 2-22-71 3-1-71	MP(BP-11,877, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 7-30-71(New). Atty: Forbes W. Blair	~~GRANTED to~~ RECINDED GRANTED	~~4-5-71~~ ~~7-30-71~~ and 4-27-71 to 9-24-71.

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Call Letters WCTN ~~WXLN~~

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-13,266 Rec'd Filed $509965 $50 Acc. 060 Press JUL 19 1971 Amended 7-7-71 re: Supplemental Engr. Statement	6-28-71 6-28-71 6-28-71 6-28-71	Mod. of CP (BP-11,877, as mod.) to increase antenna height. Atty: Forbes W. Blair	GRANTED	7-19-71
BMP-13,290 R & F #512129 $50 Acc. 067 Press	8-26-71 8-26-71 8-26-71	MP(BP-11,877, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 2-1-72.(New) Atty. Forbes W. Blair	GRANTED to	9-10-71 2-1-72
BL-13,120 R & F #021292-$50. PTA AMENDED 5-11-73 Engr. data JAN 5 1972	11-19-71 11-22-71 11-22-71 12-2-71	Lic.(BP-11,877, as mod.) for New Standard Broadcast Station. TL redes: Falls Rd Golf AC-067 Course - temp SL: 1/2 Congressional Lane, Rockville, Md. Atty: Bilger & Blair	GRANTED	8-13-73

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Call Letters WCTN xWXLN

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-6944 Rec'd FEE PD: $1000 #069831 CODE 047	5-1-72 5-4-72	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corp from Herman Norman, Ethel R. Norman et al to ~~WCTN Broadcasting, Inc., and Jesus Radio, Inc.~~ (SEE BELOW) (SEE OVER)	Granted Req. Grant Fee COND'L	2-22-73 $ 4,248.00
FILED (CERT. ART. OF INC. FILED) AUG 24 1972	8-16-72	REQUEST WAIVER SECTION 1.597 Atty - George Douglas for transferee Atty for transferor - Bilger & Blair	EFF: 3-12-73 fee paid	048 4-12-73 W 173411
Pub. notice filed 11-16-72 FEE PD: (for amendment) $1000 #141562 CODE 047		AMEND rec 12-27-72 FILED 1-8-73 to chge transferee to Christ Church of Washington, D.C. JAN 16 1973		
BR-4919 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	5-30-75 6-2-75 " JUN 18 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE G.Daniel McCarthy,Atty.(Bilger & Blair) AMENDED 7-10-75 re: ascert. of comm. needs & programming	GRANTED	9-12-75

FILED 8-16-72

RE: BTC-6944 ATTY WAS CALLED 5-26-72 - ~~Cert. Arts. of~~
Inc. & By-Laws nedessary(assignee); Past Prog., Sec.VI;
Exh.5 re cost of equip; home addresses

MOTION FOR EXT OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE PET. TO DENY
filed 9-20-72 by Pierson, Ball & Dowd on behalf of
stockholder (Virginia Gustafson)

AMENDED 10-27-72 - Tables I & II re Christ Church of Wash.
Buyers assignment; Est. replacement costs; statement re
programming (new transferee????) (SEE AMEND 12-21-72)

AMENDED 12-8-72 - Art. of Inc. & By Laws of Christ Church
of Washington, D. C. filed (~~NOTED:~~ By Laws ~~not~~ certified)

AMENDED 12-8-72 - Sec.IV-A re past programming

AMENDED 12-21-72 - Sec.II re Christ Church of Wash.D.C.,
correction re stock purc agreement; plan of financing;
demographic data; NOTED: Par. 21a&c),Sec.II incorrect
re relationship of Jollays'???

SEE FRONT CARD FOR AMENDMENT OF 12-27-72(chge transferee)

AMENDED 1-2-73 - supplemental Table I(place & date of birth

AMENDED 2-9-73 - cert. of by laws; & re comm needs(prog)

AMENDED 2-13-73 - financial data

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Call Letters WCTN

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP- Rec'd Filed $100-502038 AC-001	11-24-75 11-25-75 11-25-75	Construction permit to increase daytime power to 2.5kw, change type transmitter to Sparta 703 B. Atty: G. Daniel McCarthy (Bilger & Blair) Eng. Serge Bergen	RETURNED 8-23-76 unceptable for fili {overlap}	
PN REC'D	1-2-76	Amended 1-9-76 re balance sheet, loan agreement and supplemental Comm. leader survey		
BP-20703 Rec'd Filed PN FILED	12-30-76 1-3-77 5-18-78 2-9-77	CP to inc. power to ~~2.5kw~~, chg. type trans. ~~Sparta 703 B~~ MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 Atty: G. Daniel McCarthy Eng. Serge Bergen		
Amend AMENDED	4-1-77 6-15-77	financial(bal. sheet ,coast of equipment)and community leader survey engineering(horizontal pattern)		

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SEE CARD NO 9

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCTN

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Potomac-Cabin John, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
CONTINEUD FROM CARD NO 8				
BP-20703				
AMENDED	5-15-78	chg TL&SL: 13210 Esworthy Road, Gaithersburg, Maryland, increase daytime power to 5KW; add nighttime service with 2.5KW; install DA-2; chg hours of operation to Unlimited; trans (WILKINSON AM-5000B); make chgs in ant sys(incr hght)		
R&F	5-15-78			
PRESS:				
	$[illegible]			
		39 04 17.6 77 17 32.8		
		MAJOR ENVIORNMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305		
		ATTY: Lee Shuebert		
AMENDED	8-18-78	engineering(report on proposed transmitter site)		
AMENDED	5-15-79	reduce nighttime power to 1kw		
PRESS:	[illegible]	ATTY: Daniel McCarthy		

PETITION TO DENY filed 12-5-78 by Hank Harris, Chairman on behalf of ESWORTHY-TRAVILAH AREA COMMITTEE.

PETITION TO DISMISS OR DENY OR DENY filed 12-5-78 by Louis Schwartz on behalf of GREATER PHILADELPHIA RADIO, INC.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 12-14-78 by Forbes W. Blair on behalf of SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY

12-8-78 SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO DISMISS OR DENY filed 12-8-78 on behalf of GREATER PHILADELPHIA RADIO, INC.

6-9-81 RE: LTR OF OPINION OF THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS OF MARYLAND AFFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS TO DENY THE APPLICANT THE REQUESTED ZONING VARIANCE.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCTN

Name SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING COMPANY
POTOMAC-CABIN JOHN, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-4919 R & F PRESS	5-30-78 6-1-78 JUN 30 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Lee W. Subert (Bilger & Blair) PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed 9-1-78 by the Office of Human Rights of the District of Columbia PETITION TO INTERVENE filed 9-1-78 by D.C. Media Task Force MOTION TO STRIKE PETITION TO INTERVENE filed 9-15-78 by Forbes W. Blair, Counsel on behalf of Seven Locks Broadcasting Company MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO PETITION TO DENY filed 9-27-78 by Forbes W. Blair, Counsel on behalf of Seven Locks Broadcasting Company (OVER)	GRANTED	4-9-80

(BR4919) OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY AND INTERVENE filed 10-16-78 by Forbes W. Blair, Counsel on behalf of Seven Locks Broadcasting Company

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENE filed 11-6-78 by the Office of Human Rights of the District of Columbia.

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

950KHz.

Call Letters: W C T N

Name: SEVEN LOCKS BROADCASTING CO., INC.

Station Location: POTOMAC-CABIN JOHN, MARYLAND

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRC800404AK PRESS (0)	JUL 10 1980	Modification of License to Operate Trans. by Remote Control from: 7825 Tuckerman Lane, Suite 216, Potomac, Maryland (MAIN STUDIO LOCATION). Atty. G. Daniel McCarthy (Bilger & Blair)	GRANTED: 7-9-80
BR810527UB PRESS: JUL 21 1981		Renewal of License Atty: Forbes W. BLAIR PETITION TO DENY filed 9-1-81 by Dennis J. Kelly, Counsel on behalf of Celebrity Broadcasters, Inc.	

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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. 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 one set is known to 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.