W G A Y

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B-S- 1449

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W G A Y (Eff: 12-17-71
X W G M A (Eff: 2-1-60)

Date first licensed 3-11-47

Call letters W G A Y

Location: Silver Spring, Maryland

Name of licensee
GREATER MEDIA, INC. (BML 6-27-72)
X GREATER NEW YORK MEDIA, INC.(AL 6-30-71 EFF: 6-30-71)
x W G A Y, INC. (AL 6-19-59 Eff:7-31-59
X CONNIE B. GAY(BAL 4-8-59 EFF: 6-1-59)
X TRI-SUBURBAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location
Silver Spring, Maryland,
S.E. of inters. of Capital Beltway & Sligo Creek Pkwy. in Sligo Creek Golf Course,/
X 11306 Kemp Mill Road, Silver Spring, Maryland (Ltr. 5-10-51)
xOld Kamps Mill Road, approx. 2.5 miles from
Silver Spring, Maryland (CP 9-12-46)

Main studio location
World Bldg., 10th Floor, 8121 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, Md. (LP 11-7-5)
X 11306 Kemp Mill Road, Silver Spring, Maryland (Ltr. 5-10-51)
x Old Kamps Mill Road, approx 2.5 miles from Silver Spring, Md.(CP 9-12-46)

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	Period To
31-P-4541	9-12-46	1050	1kw	Daytime	11-12	5-12-47
CP for a new station						
1-MP-2317	1-6-47	Mod.CP(4541) for change type T and make changes in vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower			11-12	5-12-47
1-L-2206	3-11-47	1050	1kw	Daytime	3-11	5-1-47
1-Z-2024	Lic. to cover CP(4541 as mod.) for new station and determine operating power by direct method					
R-1449	4-27-48	1050	1kw	Daytime	5-1	5-1-51
BR-1449	4-25-51	1050	1kw	Daytime	5-1	5-1-54
Telegram	4-30-54	Action on renewal deferred 4-28-54 and continued operation auth. until final determination on renewal				
BR-1449	6-3-54	1050	1kw	Daytime	6-9	10-1-54
BR-1449	9-15-54	Renewal of license			10-1	10-1-57
BR-1449	9-5-57	Renewal of License			10-1	10-1-60
BAL-3234 EFF:	4-8-59 6-1-59	Vol. assignment of license to Connie B. Gay.				
BZ-4129 (1)	6-17-59	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.				
BAL-3292 EFF:	6-19-59 7-21-59	Voluntary assignment of license to G O A Y, INC.				
BR-1449	9-14-60	1050kc	1kw	Day	10-1	10-1-63
BTC-3521 EFF:	12-5-60 1-1-61	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Connie B. Gay, et al(All Stockholders) to Connie B. Gay Broadcasting Corporation.				
Per Form 323						
P-14455	11-21-60	1050	1kw	Day	1-21	7-21-61
CP to install new transmitter (RCA BTA-1R).						
	10-30-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.				
1449	3-18-64	Renewal of License			3-18	10-1-66

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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters .....W.G.A.Y.....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-	To-
BZ-5182	4-22-64	1050kc	1kw	Day	4-22	10-1-66
		Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power				
BP-16886	11-2-65	1050kc	1kw	Day	1-27-66	
		CP to change ant-trans. loc, and change main studio loc., operate transmitter by remote control from studio location (Cond'l).				
BR-1449	3-9-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			3-9	10-1-69
BL-11,345	5-1-67	1050kc	1kw	Day	5-1	10-1-69
		Lic to cover CP(BP-16,886) which auth chg. ant-trans loc. chg. main studio loc operate RC from studio loc.				
BZ-6452 (1)	6-22-67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.				
BR-1449(L)	9-25-69	RENEWAL				10-1-72
TELEGRAM	12-15-70	PSA	500w			
BTC-6490	3-24-71	VOL. TO	EFF: 5-7-71			
BAL-7336	6-30-71	VOL. AL	EFF: 6-30-71			
BS-1449(L)	12-17-71	Mod. of lic. to change call letter to: W G A Y.				
EBSA	6-12-72					
BML-2413(1)	6-27-72	M. to change corporate name.				
BR-1449(L)	11-9-72	RENEWAL				10-1-75
Ltr.	8-8-74	Trans. RCA BTA-1S now installed.				
BL-15,769(L)	2-7-75	Lic. to use former main trans. for auxiliary purposes only.				10-1-75
BR-1449(S)	9-12-75	RENEWAL OF LIC. (Mains Aux.)				10-1-78
BR-1449	9-14-78	(S) REN. OF LIC.				10-1-81
SUPERSEDED 12-1-78 ABOVE to include Aux.Trans.						10-1-81

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters M Q M R / K W G A Y / x New

Name TRI-SUBURBAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
(P.O.6720 Conway Ave., Silver Spring, Md.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action: Nature	Action: Date
B1-P-4541 Recd. Filed	2-11-46 2-11-46 2-11-46	C.P. for a new Standard Broadcast Station to be operated on: Frequency - 1050 kc Power - 1kw Hours of Operation - Daytime Transmitter location - Old Kamps Mill Road, approx. 2.5 miles from city limit of Silver Spring, Md. Studio location - Old Kamps Mill Road, approx. 2.5 miles from city limit of Silver Spring, Md. (Filed by Atty. Marks - Engr. D.B.McKey)	Docket No. 7550 Granted petition for reconsideration and grant of application Order issued	9-12-46

RCA BTA-1L Transmitter

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

#2

Call Letters WGAY

Name TRI-SUBURBAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B1-MP-2317 Rec'd Filed	12-6-46 12-9-46 12-9-46	Mod. of C.P. (B1-P-4541, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Collins 20K), make change in the vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower. (Leonard H. Marks, Atty.; D. B. McKey, Engr.)	GRANTED	1-6-47
B1-L-2206 Rec'd Filed	12-5-46 12-5-46 12-5-46	License to cover C.P. (B1-P-4541, as mod..) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and	GRANTED	3-11-47
B1-Z-2024 Rec'd Filed	12-5-46 12-5-46 12-5-46	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (Leonard H. Marks, Atty.D.B. McKey, Engr.)		

Form 94 #3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGAY

Name TRI-SUBURBAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1449 Rec'd	3-1-48 3-1-48	Renewal of license Filed by Leonard H. Marks atty.	GRANTED	4-27-48
BP-7252 Rec'd Filed	5-26-49 5-27-49 6-3-49	Construction permit to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited, with power of 500w,1kw-LS and install directional antenna for night use only. Leonard H. Marks, Atty. Dixie B. McKey, Engr.	DISMISSED 7-26-50 ORDER ISSUED	
BR-1449 Rec'd	3-1-51 3-5-51	Renewal of license Filed by Leonard H. Marks atty.	GRANTED	4-25-51
BR-1449 Rec'd Filed	1-28-54 2-1-54 2-1-54	Renewal of License Filed by Leonard Marks, Atty.	Granted	6-9-54

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGAY

Name TRI-SUBURBAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Silver Spring, Md.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP Rec'd	12-13-50 12-13-50	Construction permit to change hours of oper. from Daytime to Unlimited, with power of 500w, 1kwLS and install directional antenna for night use only.	RET'D Atty's request	2-12-62

FORM A-170 #4

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name CONNIE B. GAY
X TRI-SUBURBAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Call Letters WGAY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1449 Rec'd Filed	6-24-54 6-25-54 6-25-54	Renewal of License (Informal Request) Filed by Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	9-15-54
BR-1449 Rec'd Filed	6-26-57 6-27-57 6-27-57	Renewal of License. Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	9-5-57
BAL-3234 Rec'd. Filed	11-6-58 11-10-58 11-10-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Connie B. Gay. D.F. Prince, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	4-8-59 6-1-59
BZ-4129 Rec'd Filed	5-22-59 5-25-59 5-25-59	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurment of antenna power. D. F. Prince, Atty.	GRANTED	6-19-59

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGAY

WGAY, INC.

Name x CONNIE B. GAY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-3492 Rec'd. Filed	5-26-59 5-29-59 5-29-59	Voluntary assignment of license to W G A Y, Inc. D.F.Prince, Atty.	GRANTED Eff:	6-19-59 7-21-59
BR-1449 Rec'd Filed	6-30-60 7-5-60 7-5-60	Renewal of license D. F. Prince, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-60
BTC-3521 Rec'd Filed	8-17-60 8-22-60 8-22-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Connie B. Gay, et al (All Stockholders) to Connie B. Gay Broadcasting Corporation. D. F. Prince, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: Per	12-5-60 1-1-61 Form 323
BP-14,455 R & F	10-26-60 10-28-60	Construction permit to install new transmitter. (RCA BTA-1R) Atty: D. F. Prince	GRANTED	11-21-60

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WQMR

Name WGAY, INC.
Silver Spring, Md.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-8295 Rec'd Filed	12-12-60 12-13-60 12-13-60	License to cover construction permit(BP-14455) which authorized the installation of a new transmitter. Atty. - D.F. Prince	GRANTED	5-26-61
BR-1449 R & F	6-28-63 8-2-63	Renewal of license Atty. Ray R. Paul	GRANTED	3-18-64
BZ-5182 R. & F.	1-29-64 1-30-64	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty- Prince & Paul	GRANTED	4-22-64

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W Q M R

Name W G A Y, INC.
Silver Spring, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-16,886 Rec'd. Filed (order)	6-1-65 6-1-65 6-1-65 9-29-65	C.P. to change ant.-trans. location to S.E. of intersection of Capital Beltway and Sligo Creek Pkwy., in Sligo Creek Golf Course, Silver Spring, Maryland, change main studio loc. to World Bldg.- 10th Floor, 8121 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location. REQUEST FOR WAIVER SEC. 73.37 OF RULES GRANTED & APPL. ACCEPTED by Comm. 9-29-65. Atty: Prince & Paul Engr. A.D. Ring & Associates	GRANTED Cond'l res in Docket	11-2-65 Final decision No. 15[illegible]1/62.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W Q M R

Name W G A Y, INC.
Silver Spring, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-11,345 R & F	5/4/66 5/5/66	Lic. to cover CP (BP-16,886) which auth. chng ant-trans location, chng main studio location, operate remote control from studio location. Atty: Prince & Paul	GRANTED	5-1-67
BR-1449 R & F	6/30/66 7/5/66	Renewal of License Atty: Prince & Paul	GRANTED	3-9-67
BZ- 6452 Rec'd Resub. R & F	4/14/67 4/21/67 4/25th/67 4/27/67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power. Atty: R. R. Paul Engr: T. J. English, Wash., D.C.	~~RETURNED: 4/25/67 Sect. 1 incorrect date.~~ GRANTED	6-22-67
BR-1449 R & F #526738 $75 F. N. JUL 2 [illegible] Lic.	6-30-69 7-2-69 7-2-69 [illegible]	Renewal of License Atty: Ray R. Paul Silver & Cisser now attys.	GRANTED	9-25-69

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

7-25-69 Atty: called: re. Sect. 11, Para. 11

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

99.5mc

Call Letters WGAY

Name WGAY, INC.
Washington, D. C.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-919 R & F #526737 $105 P. N. JUL 28 1969	6-30-69 7-2-69 7-2-69	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Ray R. Paul (Prince & Paul)	GRANTED	9-25-69
Ltr.	1-5-70	Bilger & Glaser now attys.		
BTC-6490 Rec'd FEE PD: $1000 #654861 CODE 049 (also see WQMR) FILED PN filed FEB 18 1971	1-7-71 1-8-71 1-27-71 1-29-71	Voluntary transfer of control of llc corp from Connie B. Gay Broadcasting Corporation to Greater New York Media, Inc. Atty for transferor - M. Glaser for transferee - Schwartz & Woods AMENDED 3-2-71 - legal data re subsidiary (Sentinel Pub.Co) of transferee	GRANTED Req. grant fee $63,300.00. Grant fee includes stations WQMR-WTOR-WVQM also. EFF:	3-24-71 5-7-71
Ltr.	5-27-71	Schwartz & Woods now attys.	Fee paid 5-11-71. #W005521.	

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

7-25-69
Atty: called re: Sect. II, Para. 11 (Main & Aux.)

Card #9

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W G A Y
xW Q M R

Greater New York Media, Inc.

Name x W G A Y, Inc.
Silver Spring, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
	9-18-70	Annual license fee paid $224.00 #631034 combined with WQMR-AM 128.00		FM Fee
BTC-5490 R & F F E PD: $1000 #654860 CODE 047 (also see FM WGAY) FILED PN filed Ltr.	1-7-71 1-8-71 1-27-71 1-29-71 5-27-71	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Connie B. Gay Broadcasting Corporation to Greater New York Media, Inc. Atty for transferor - M.L. Glaser for transferee - Schwartz & Woods (SEE OVER) Schwartz & Woods now attys.	GRANTED Req. grant fee $63,300.00 grant fee includes stations WGAY-WTCR-WVQM also. EFF: Fee paid #	3-24-71 5-7-71 5-11-71. W 005521.
BAL-7336 R & F FEE PD: $250 #010734 CODE 053 (Form 316) (also see FM WGAY)	6-8-71 6-9-71	Voluntary assignment of license to GREATER NEW YORK MEDIA, INC. Atty - Schwartz & Woods	GRANTED EFF:	6-30-71 6-30-71

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

RE: BTC ~~ATTY-WAS-CALLED-1-26-71~~-- Articles & By-Laws
nec. FILED 1-27-71 / ALSO SEC. VI nec.
AMENDED 3-2-71 - legal data re subsidiary of transferee

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Card #10

Call Letters W G A Y

Name GREATER MEDIA, INC.
x GREATER NEW YORK MEDIA, INC.
SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BML-2413 R&F $50-075878 AC-060 PRESS: JUN 1 1972	5-22-72 5-23-72 5-23-72	Modification of license to change corporate name to GREATER MEDIA, INC. Atty. Louis Schwartz	GRANTED	6-27-72
BR-1449 R & F PN PRESS AUG 7 1972	6-26-72 6-30-72 6-30-72	Renewal of License ATTY: SCHWARTZ & WOODS	GRANTED	11-9-72
BL-13,769 R & F $50#336855 PTA PRESS 25 NOV 1974	8-7-74 8-19-74 8-21-74 8-25-74	Lic. to use former Main Trans. for Auxiliary Purposes Only, RCA BTA-1R Atty: Lawrence M. Miller(Schwartz & Woods)	GRANTED	3-27-75

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

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September 1969

1050 kc

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W C A Y

Name GREATER MEDIA, INC.
SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1449 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	5-28-75 6-2-75 " JUL 11 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.) Louis Schwartz, Atty.	GRANTED	9-12-75
BP- Recd 86735 $300	6-29-76 6-30-76 7-1-76	CP increase power to 2.5kw and change trans. to HARRIS MW-5 Atty: Louis Schwartz Engr: David Steel, Sr.	RETURNED 6-21-78 Request for Waiver of the Rules DENIED. pursuant SECTION 0.281 Rules.	
BR-1449 R & F PRESS JUL 7 1978	5-28-78 6-1-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty. Louis Schwartz (Schwartz & Woods)	GRANTED	9-14-78

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGAY

Name GREATER MEDIA, INC.
Silver Spring, Maryland

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR780728UK R & F PRESS	7-21-78 7-28-78 AUG 11 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	9-14-78
780721AH Rec'd (resub) 7-21-78 Filed PRESS: PN FI ED	6-29-78	Construction permit to increase power to 2.5KW and chg trans HARRIS MW-5 ATTY: Louis Schwartz ENGR: David Steel, Sr.	RETURNED 8-21-79 MO&O (Memeo # 20448)	
	8-11-78	OPPOSITION TO REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED BY WCMS RADIO NORFOLK, INC. THRU ITS ATTY. PHILIP M. BAKER		
	8-18-78	MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED BY GREATER MEDIA, INC. THRU ITS ATTYS LOUIS SCHWARTZ, ROBERT A. WOODS & LAWRENCE M. MILLER		
	9-14-78	MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED BY GREATER MEDIA, INC. THRU ITS A ATTYS. LOUIS SCHWARTZ, ROBERT A. WOODS & LAWRENCE M. MILLER		

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

1050 kHz
Call Letters: W G A Y

Name: GREATER MEDIA, INC.

Station Location: SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BZ-810417AK R & F DM PRESS MAY 04 1981	4-17-81	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: Malcolm Stevenson (Schwartz, Woods & Miller)	GRANTED 4-29-81 (Issued with renewal)
BR810601H3 PRESS AUG 10 1981		Renewal of License Atty.: Malcolm G. Stevenson	GRANTED 10-22-81

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March 1979

W G A Y - RECORD OF DENIALS OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

RS-1449 5-3-48 to opr. additional time from sign-off (time 7:15 pm EST) to 8:30 pm EST (9:30 pm, Eastern Daylight Saving Time) May 3, 1948, in order to broadcast election returns, only.

Ltr. 10-22-48 advising applicant that request for STA for election returns 11-2-48 not considered in accordance Sec. 1.324 of the Rules

Ltr. 11-2-50 To remain on air 11-7-50 to broadcast election returns.

Ltr. 10-31-51 To remain on air 11-6-51 to broadcast election returns

Ltr. 9-12-52 - Denied authority remain on air for election

Ltr. 9-30-53 - Waiver of Sec. 3.5 to operate from 4 am to 7 pm throughout the year

Telegram 10-28-54 Remain on air night of 11-2-54 to broadcast election coverage to Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties

WTRE 9-20-56 Operate additional time 9-20-56 Political

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.