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June 1954

FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Official No. 854

W F Y R (EFF: 3-27-73)
X WKFM

Date first licensed March 20, 1956

Call letters

Station location Chicago, Illinois

RKO GENERAL, INC. (ALH 1-19-73 EFF: 3-6-73
X FRANK S. KOVAS, JR.

Name of licensee

Sears Tower, Chicago, Illinois(EPH-2-21-74)
Transmitter location X 188 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois

Prudential Plaza, 130 East Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill. (Ltr. 2-9-77)

60601
Main studio location Same as xmtr. x 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago, Ill.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPH-2221	10-23-57	103.5mc HAAT 500' Ch 278 CP for new FM broadcast station	50kw	U	12-23 6-23-58
BSCA-96	1-3-58	SCA, 41 & 67 kc, Multiplex			
BLH-1211	3-20-58	103.5 mcs. 50kw U License to cover CP(2221)			3-20- 12-1-58
WIRE	6-26-58	Comm. granted permission to operate with reduced power of 40 kw. for period ending ..... 9-25-58.			
WIRE	9-29-58	EXT. AUTHORITY OPERATE REDUCE POWER OF 40 KILOWATTS FOR PERIOD ENDING 11-15-58			
BRH-854	11-19-58	Renewal of license to			12-1-61
BRSCA-96	11-19-58	Subsidiary Communications Authorization Multiplex Basis to			12-1-61
	11-29-61	Action on renewal deferred.			
BRH-854	5-29-62	Renewal of License			5-29 12-1-64
BRSCA-96	5-29-62	Subsidiary Communications Authorization Multiplex Basis			5-29 12-1-64
BMSCA-128	7-5-62	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authorization on 67 kw.			12-1-64
BPH-4456 HAAT:500'	6-10-64	103.5mcs ERP:50kw Unl. Ch.#278 TPO:7.3kw CP to install new ant. (Collins 37M, 7 secs.) & decr. TPO.			8-10-64 2-10-65
BRH-854 BRSCA-96	12-14-64 12-14-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA (Multiplex)			12-14-12-1-67
BLH-2688 HAAT:500'	3-9-65	103.5mcs 50kw U TPO:7.3 Lic. to cover CP(BPH-4456) which auth. install new antenna & decrease TPO			3-9 12-1-67
BSH-854 (1)	10-7-66	Mod. of lic. to make chgs in supporting structure and overall hgt above gr. (Memo)			

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FM BROADCAST

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WKFM

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
BPH-5947 HAAT:500'(h&v)	9-11-67	103.5mc ch#278	ERP:50kw(h&v) TPO:16.7kw	U	11-11-67 5-11-68	
	CP to install new trans(Gates-FMS-20H); install dual polarized ant(Gates-FMC-6, 6 sects); chg. TPO; and operate with a vert. ERP.					
BRH-854	11-24-67	Renewal of License			12-1	12-1-70
BRSCA-96	11-24-67	Renewal of SCA			12-1	12-1-70
BLH-3796 HAAT:500'	11-30-67	103.5mc ch#278	ERP:50kw(h&v) TPO:16.7kw	U	11-30	12-1-70
	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-5947)					
Ltr.	5-21-69	Trans: Gates FM20-H-2				
BPH-7082(L) HAAT: 500' (H&V)	4-14-70	103.5mc Ch #278 CP install new ant, chg. TPO;	ERP: 50 kw(H&V) TPO: 16.5 kw		12-14-70	
Comtel	4-28-70	Temp. auth. operate BPH-7082 to 5-15-70				
BLH-4799(L)	8-13-70	LIC. (BPH-7082) for changes			12-1-70	
BRH-854(S) BRSCA-96	11-30-70 11-30-70	Renewal Renewal of SCA			12-1-73	
BRCH-1061(1)	12-27-71	Operate by remote control				
EBSA	5-22-72					
BALH-1736 BASCA-526	1-19-73	VOL AL	EFF: 3-6-73			
BTC-7097	3-27-73	VOL TC	EFF: NOT CONSUMMATED LTR 8-8-73			
BPH-8532 HAAT: 460' (H&V) CANCELLED	8-29-73 7-22-74	103.5mhz. ERP: 18.5kw(H&V) #278 Class B (RC) CP install new aux. ant., at Main Trans., loc., chg. TPO, ERP, HAAT. For Auxiliary Purposes Only.			829-74	
BRH-854(L) BRSCA-96	11-28-73 11-28-73	RENEWAL(Cond'l) re: civil antitrust action) RENEWAL OF SCA			12-1-76	
BPH-8768	2-21-74	CP to chg. TL; new trans.; new ant.; chg. ant. system; TPO ; ERP: 3kw. (H&V HAAT: 1,540' (H&V) RC			2-21-75	

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June 1954

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WFYR

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
BPH-8794	2-21-74	CP to install new Alt. M.			2-21-75
	Trans. RC; 103.5mhz; ERP: 3kw(H&V);				HAAT: 1,540'
BLH-6190	5-13-74	Lic.(BPH-8768)-Changes			12-1-76
BLH-6229(L)	Lic.(BPH-8794)-Alt. trans.				
BLH-6230(L)	6-5-74	Lic. to use former main trans.			12-1-76
HAAT: 500'	(H&V)-RC-	for aux. purp. only. ERP:			50.kw(H&V)
BPH-10221	10-7-76	103.5MHz ERP: 12.5kw H&V {RC}			
HAAT: 860'	H&V	CP relocate TL, SL & RC , chg			
{L}		TPO, ERP, HAAT, Trans and Ant {Aux}			
		For Auxiliary Purposes Only			10-7-77
BRH-854{L}	1-25-77	Renewal of license			12-1-79
		Main & Aux Trans. & Ante.			
	A not renewed per atty.				
Ltr.	2-9-77	SL changed.			
BMPH-15224 (1)	9-13-77	MP(BPH-10221)ext time to			2-27-78
BMPH-15416 (2)	4-5-78	MP(BPH-10221, as mod) ext time to			6-1-78
BLH-7775	7-14-78	103.5MHz ERP: 12.5kW (H&V)			12-1-79
HAAT: 860'	(H&V)	#278 (RC) AUX. TRANS. & ANT.			
		Lic. (BPH-10221, as mod.) for changes.			
LTR.	4-3-78	TRANS HARRIS FM-10K now installed			
BPH780711AH	10-30-78	103.5mhz ERP: 3kW (H&V) RC			10-30-79
HAAT: 1550'	H&V	CP to install new trans.			
(L)		install new ant Chg. TPO			(Main)
BSCA790411AF	5/8/79	SCA			12/1/79
BMPH790813AW	9/28/79	MP (BPH780711AH) for ext			
(1)		of time to:			4/30/80
BMPH791218AL	5-22-80	103.5mhz ERP: 4.3kW (H&V)			5-22-81
HAAT: 1550'	(H&V)	MP (BPH780711AH, as mod.) to mke chgs			
(L)		in ant. sys, type of ant. Incre ERP			
		and TPO.			

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

FM BROADCAST

CARD #4

First licensed .....

Call Letters ...WFYR.....

Station Location ..Chicago, Illinois

Name .....

Transmitter Location .....

Main studio location .....

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December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
CONTEL	7-23-80	SPECIAL TEMP. AUTH. GR. OPERATE HARRIS FMC-1 PER OP BMPH791218AL PARAMETERS DUE TO DAMAGE TO LIC. ANT. EFF. RADIATED POWER 4.3kW NOTIFY WHEN NORMAL. AUTH EXPIRES 8-22-80.	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~-NEW-~~ WKFM

Name FRANK S. KOVAS, JR.
8114 N. KOLMAR , SKOKIE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-2221 Recd & filed	5-10-57 6- 5-57	C.P. for a new FM B/C station: Frequency: 103.5 mcs. Ch. 278 ERP: ~~16 kw~~. Unlimited Opr. HAAT: 500 ft. T-L & S-L: 188 W. Randolph, Chicago, Illinois (RCA BTF-3B 3 kw)	GRANTED	10-23-57
Amend Rec'd Filed	9-21-57 9-26-57 9-26-57	Amended 9-26-57 to increase ERP to 50kw and Filed by Harold E. Mott, atty transmitter to: RCA BTF-3B exciter & REL 520-DL P.A.		
BSCA-96 Recd & filed	5-10-57 6 -5-57	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization. ~~Simplex~~ Multiplex Basis. Additional Engr. info. recd. 6-20-57.	GRANTED	1-3-58
Amended Recd & filed	6-20-57 6-27-57	Amended to change operation from SIMPLEX TO MULTIPLEX BASIS. Harold E. Mott, atty		
Amendment Recd&Filed	11-15-57 11-20-57	Sub-channel 41 kc and 67 kc, Multiplex Service Corporation Model MBC-20 equipment		

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKFM

Name FRANK S. KOVAS, JR.
Chicago, Ill.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-1211 Recd Filed	12-2-57 12-9-57 12-9-57	License to cover CP (BPH-2221) for new FM broadcast station	GRANTED	3-20-58
BRH-854 Rec'd Filed	8-26-58 9-2-58 9-2-58	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	11-19-58
BRSCA-96 Rec'd Filed	8-26-58 9-2-58 9-2-58	Renewal of Subsidiary Communications Authorization.	Granted	11-19-58
BRH-854 Rec'd Filed	10-26-61 10-27-61 10-27-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	5-29-62
BRSCA-96 Rec'd Filed	10-26-61 10-27-61 10-27-61	Renewal of Subsidiary Communications Authorization	GRANTED	5-29-62
BMSCA-128 R & F	1-24-62 1-25-62	Modification of SCA to make equipment changes; delete 41kc frequency. (specify 67kc only)	GRANTED	7-5-62

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKPM

Name FRANK S. KOVAS, JR.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-4456 R & F	5-21-64 5-25-64	CP to install new ant (Collins-37M, 7 sect) and decr TPO to 7.32kw.	GRANTED	6-10-64
BRH- 854 BRSGA 96 Rec'd Filed	9-6-64 9-24-64 9-24-64	Renewal of License & SCA	GRANTED	12-14-64
BLH-2688 H&F	11-4-64 11-6-64	License to cover CP (BPH-4456) which authorized install new ant and decrease TPO.	GRANTED	3-9-65
BPH-5947 R & F SEP 7 - 1967	8-17-67 8-23-67	Construction Permit to install new trans(Gates-FMS-20H); install dual polarized ant(Gates-FMC-6, 6 sects); chg. TPO to 16.69kw; and operate with a vert. ERP of 50kw; Atty - Wade H. Hargrove(Fletcher, Heald etc.) Engr; ------	GRANTED	9-11-67

FORM BC-121 #4
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKEM

Name FRANK S. KOVAS, JR.
(Chicago, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-854 BRSCA-96 R & F SEP 19 1967	8-28-67 8-15-67 9-5-67	Renewal of License Renewal of SCA Atty: Wade H. Hargrove (Fletcher, Heald etc.	P GRANTED	11-24-67
BLH-3796 R & F PTA-11/6/67	10/24/67 10/26/67	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-5947) which auth. install new trans. & dual ant.; chng. TPO & ERP. Atty: Wade H. Hargrove	GRANTED	11-30-67
BPH-7082 R & F #592042$30. PRESS: APR 15 1970	4-6-70 4-8-70	Construction Permit install new Antenna (GATES-FMC-6, 6 horiz. & 6 vert. sects); make chgs. in antenna system(incr. hght); operate with vert. HAAT: 500 ft.	GRANTED	4-14-70
BLH-4799 R & F #597647 $30. PTA PRESS	5-8-70 5-13-70 5-13-70 5-22-70 AUG 3 1970	Lic.(BPH-7082) for changes.	GRANTED	8-13-70

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Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

103.5mcs

Call Letters W K F M

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
XXFRANK S. KOVAS, JR.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-854 BRSCA-96 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 30 1970	8-17-70 " 9-2-70 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Renewal of SCA	GRANTED	11-30-70
Annual filing fee $432.00 paid 12-14-70 #649463.				
BRCH-1061 R & F #515283 $50 Code 068 Press 17 DEC 1971	11-22-71 12-1-71 12-1-71	Mod. of lic. to operate trans. by remote control from 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois.	GRANTED	12-27-71
BALH-1736 BASCA-526 R & F FEE PD: $1000 #106198 CODE 049 SEP 28 1972 Pub. notice filed 10-6-72	8-30-72 9-5-72	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to RKO GENERAL, INC. Atty for assignee - Pierson, Ball & Dowd Statement re comm. survey filed 1-22-73	GRANTED Req. Grant Fee $ 48,000.00 EFF: 3-6-73 Fee paid COND'L 050 3-7-73	1-19-73

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Form BC-121 #6
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

103.5mhz

Call Letters WFYR XWKFM

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-7097 R & F (filed as amendment to WRKO ETC - Form 316) FEE PD: $250 #166467 CODE 054	3-22-73 3-23-73	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from The General Tire & Rubber Company to The General Tire Company Atty - Pierson, Ball & Dowd	GRANTED EFF: NOT CONSUMMATED	3-27-73 LTE 8-8-73
BPH-8532 R & F #217063 $50 Code 057 Press AUG 23 1973	7-17-73 7-23-73 7-24-73	CP to install a new Aux. Ant. (Gates FMC-2, 2 sects.); at Main Trans. Loc., operate by RC from SL: 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois; chg. TPO: 20KW; ERP: 18.5KW (H&V) and HAAT: 460.3'(H&V), for Auxiliary purposes only.	GRANTED CANCELLED	8-29-73 7-12-74
BRH-854 R & F P.N. PRESS 12 SEP 1973 BRSCA-96 R & F	8-30-73 8-31-73 8-31-73 8-21-73 8-31-73	Renewal of License AMENDED 11-14-73 re: anti-trust action; business interests Renewal of SCA	GRANTED	11-28-73

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WEYR

Name RKO General, Inc.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-8768 R & F #269275 $50 Code 057 Press	1-11-74 1-14-74 1-17-74 JAN 22 1974	CP to chg. TL to: Sears Tower, Chicago, Illinois; install new trans. (Gates FM-5/5H3); install new ant. (Gates FMC-2A, 2 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (increase height); chg. TPO; ERP: 3KW(H&V) and HAAT: 1536'(H&V). (41° 52' 44" - 87° 38' 10") Atty: Pierson, Ball & Dowd	GRANTED	2-21-74
BPH-8794 R & F #274271 $50 Code 057 Press	1-24-74 1-29-74 1-30-74 FEB 8 - 1974	CP to install a new Alternate Main Transmitter (Gates FM-10H3). Atty: Pierson, Ball & Dowd	GRANTED	2-21-74
BPH-8768 continued from Above AMENDED Press	1-29-74 FEB 26 1974	Engr. Data: Chg. trans. (Gates FM-10H3); chg. ant. (Gates FMC-1, 1 sects.(H&V) and TPO.	GRANTED	2-21-74

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

103.5mhz.

Call Letters WFYR

Name RKO General, Inc.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-6190 R & F W 298380-$50. PTA PRESS	3-29-74 4-1-74 4-1-74-057 4-4-74 MAY 8 1974	Lic.(BPH-8768)-Changes -Engr: Smith and Powstenko(Neil M. Smith)D.C. Amended 5-29-74 - engr. data	Granted	5-13-74
BLH-6229 R & F W 302758-$50. PTA PRESS	4-12-74 4-12-74 4-12-74-057 5-2-74 JUN 9 1974	Lic.(BPH-8794)-Alternate transmitter.	GRANTED issued w/Main,LH-6190	6-5-74
BLH-6230 Rec'd W 305168-$50. Filed PTA PRESS	4-12-74 4-12-74 5-15-74-057 5-15-74 5-2-74 JUN 9 1974	Lic. to use former main transmitter (GATES, FM-20H2) at 188 W. Randolph St., Chic., Ill. for Auxiliary purposes only. ERP: 50kw.	GRANTED	6-5-74

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May 1976
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W F Y R

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-854 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-29-76 7-30-76 " SEP 2 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.TRANS.& ANTENNA) AMENDED 9-10-76 re: litigation AMENDED 10-8-76 re: Board of directors AMENDED 10-12-76 re: litigation AMENDED 12-6-76 re: business interests AMENDED 1-4-77 re: business interests	GRANTED	1-25-77
BPH-10221 R & F 899998$50 CODE 001 PRESS PNRRec'd	7-23-76 8-3-76 8-4-76 OCT 1976	CP relocate TL, SL & RC to: Prudential Bldg., 130 East Randolph St {23rd Floor}, Chicago, Ill; install new Aux. Antenna {GATES FMC-2, 2 sects H&V}; chg TPO, ERP: 12.6kw H&V} & HAAT {863' H&V}; mke Chg Ant sys {incr hght}. For Auxiliary Purposes Only 41° 53' 05" - 87° 37' 23" Atty---	GRANTED	10-7-76

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

103.5mhz

Call Letters WFXR

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-8150 R & F See KHJ(AM) for fee pd Code 047 (FORM 316)	9/20/76 9/21/76	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from The General Tire & Rubber Company to the individual stockholders Atty-Pierson,Ball & Dowd(Harold Cohen)		
BMPH-15224 R & F PRESS AUG 29 1977	8-15-77 8-18-77	MP(BPH-10221) ext time to 1-7-78 For Changes (Auxiliary Trans. & Ant.) Atty. ---	GRANTED TO	9-13-77 2-27-78
BMPH-15416 R & F PRESS: FEB 21 1978	2-3-78 2-7-78	MP (BPH-10221, as mod) extension of time to: 4-24-78 (FOR CHAGNES) (Auxiliary Trans. & Ant.) Atty:----	GRANTED TO	4-5-78 6-1-78

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103.5MHz

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WFYR

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-7775 R & F PTA: PRESS: JUN 2 1978	4-18-78 5-3-78 5-10-78	Lic. (BPH-10221, as mod.) for changes. (AUXILIARY TRANS. & ANT.) Atty: --	GRANTED	7-14-78
BPH-780711AH R & F PRESS: AUG 2 1978	7-7-78 7-11-78	CP to install new Trans. (HARRIS FM-10K); install new Ant. (HARRIS FMP-1E3, 1 sect H&V); chg. TPO Atty:---- Engr:----	GRANTED	10-30-78

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May 1978

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

103.5MHz.

Call Letters WFYR

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BSCA790411AF PRESS (0)	APR 27 1979	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a Subcarrier Frequency of 67 Kilohertz. Atty. Neil M. Smith (Smith & Powstenko)	GRANTED	5/8/79
BMPH790813AW PRESS (0)	SEP 11 1979	MP (BPH-780711AH) for Extension of Time to: 1-30-80 (FOR CHANGES)	GRANTED	9/28/79
BRH 790801 AF 3 BRSCA " PRESS OCT 11 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.TRANS.& ANTENNA) RENEWAL OF SCA PETITION TO DENY filed 11-1-79 by Arnold S. Rosenberg, Counsel on behalf Latino Committee on the Media. (OVER)	DESIGNATED FOR HEARING MIN	SEP 30 1980 #80-602 Also grant BLH-800103KB

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(BRH790801A3) OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 12-3-79 by William S. Green, Counsel on behalf of RKO General, Inc.

AMENDED 5-22-80 re: litigation
AMENDED 5-23-80 re: litigation
AMENDED 5-27-80 re: litigation
AMENDED 6-16-80 re: litigation

AMENDED 9-12-80 re: litigation

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

103.5 mHz

Call Letters W F Y R

Name RKO GENERAL, INC.
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-791218AL PRESS: (0) JAN 1980		MP(BPH-780711AH, as mod.) to make chgs. in the antenna system; incr. ERP to 4.3kw (H&V); incr. TPO to 10.5 kw; chg. type of antenna to GATES FMH-1AE. Atty: ----	GRANTED Cond'	5-22-80
BLH-800103AB PTA PRESS SEP 12 1980		License to cover (BPH-780711AH, as mod.) for changes. Atty: Neil M. Smith		

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

103.5MHz.

Call Letters: W F Y R

Name: RKO GENERAL, INC.

Station Location: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPH810313AA PRESS (O)	APR 9 1981	CP to incre. Aux. ERP to: 17.0kw (H&V) & chg. TPO (FOR AUXILIARY PURPOSES ONLY). Atty. Neil M. Smith (Smith & Powstenko)	

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.

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.