W R H L - FM

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FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-14-74

Call letters W R H L-FM

Station location Rochelle, Illinois

Name of licensee ROCHELLE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Transmitter location 200 E. 4th Avenue, Rochelle, Illinois (PH-2-2-72)

Main studio location 400 Maymart Drive, Rochelle, Illinois
X Same as transmitter

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-7286(L)	2-2-72	102.3mc	#272 ERP:	3kw(H&V)	2-2-73
HAAT: 180'(H&V)		CP for New FM Station (RC)			
BPH-7286 (1)	3-23-72	Call letters assigned.			
EBSA	3-22-72				
BMPH-13,669 (2)	1-16-73	MP(BPH-7286) Extension time to 8-1-73			
BMPH-13863(3)	9-12-73	MP(BPH-7286 as mod) chg. trans., transmission line, TPO.			
BLH-5977(L)	6-14-74	Lic.(BPH-7286)-New sta.			12-1-76
COMTEL	9-30-76	ANTENNA MARKINGS accordance Paragraph one only.			
BRH-2926(L)	11-17-76	Renewal of license 12-1-79			
COMTEL	10-14-77	DELETE OBSTRUCTION MARKING & LIGHTING			
BRH790801WT (S)	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-82

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W R H L-FM
X NEW-FM

Name Rochelle Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Rochelle, Illinois(PO c/o 4200-11th Street, Rock Island, Illinois 61201)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-7286 R & F #636510 $100 CODE: 013 PRESS: PN REC'D: OCT 6 1970 11-18-70	10- 6-70 10-13-70 10-13-70	CP for New FM on: 102.3mc. #272 ERP: 3kw(h&v) HAAT: 181'(h&v) TPO: 2.22kw. Trans:Gates-FM-3H; Ant:Gates-FMC-3, 3 horiz. & vert. sects. T+SL & RC: 200 E. 4th, Rochelle, Illinois 41° 55' 24" - 89° 03' 30" Atty - Mark S. Fowler(Smith, Pepper etc.) Engr- Robert A. Jones AM STATION: WRHL, Rochelle, Illinois	GRANT FEE: GRANTED Req. grant fee $900.00 Grant Fee Paid: 014 3-22-72 W 053397 Cond'l Re: submit FCC Forms 302	 2-2-72
AMENDED	3-30-71	Section II, pages 2 & 3.		
	4-7-71	JOINT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF APPLICATION OF TILTON PUBLICATIONS, INC., FILED BY MARK S. FOWLER, ATTY.		
AMENDED	7-2-71	Section IVA.		

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Rock Island, Illinois

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September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

102.3mc

Call Letters WRHL-FM

Name Rochelle Broadcasting Company, Inc.
Rochelle, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-13,669 R & F #140710 $50 Code 068 Press JAN 15 1973	12-28-72 1-2-73 1-2-73	MP (BPH-7286) ext. time to 8-1-73. (New Station) Atty: Mark S. Fowler	GRANTED TO	1-16-73 8-1-73
BRCH- Rec'd #149228 $50 $50.00 REFUNDED Press FEB 8 1973	1-25-73 1-30-73 1-30-73	MP (BPH-7286, as mod.) to operate transmitter by remote control from: 200 E. 4th Avenue, Rochelle, Illinois. Atty: Mark S. Fowler, SMITH & PEPPER	Returned Unnecessary.	2-7-73
BMPH-13,863 R & F #223444 $50 Code 057 Press SEP 11 1973	8-9-73 8-13-73 8-15-73	MP (BPH-7286, as mod.) chg. trans. (Gates FM-2.5H) and chg. transmission line. Atty: Mark S. Fowler	GRANTED	9-12-73
BLH-5977 Rec'd W 217908 $50. AC-057 Amended & F PTA	7-20-73 7-24-73 7-24-73 9-19-73 10-19-73 - PRESS: OCT 31 1973	Lic.(BPH-7286)-New Sta. Transmitter: GATES, FM, 2.5H3-S & RC loc: 400 Maymart Drive, Rochelle, Ill. Sect. I, Par. II F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. / Ltr 9-24-75-Atty: Fowler & Meyers	GRANTED	6-14-74 (M. S. Fowler)

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102.3 mc

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May 1978
12-74

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WRHL-FM

Name ROCHELLE BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-2926 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-26-76 8-2-76 AUG 26 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE David Meyers, Atty.	GRANTED	11-17-76
BRH 790801 W T PRESS SEP 27 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-30-79

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