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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 2-20-57 (Off. #289)

Call letters KGUN-TV

Station location TUCSON, ARIZONA

Name of licensee MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY (BALCT-354 7-31-68 EFF: 9-25-68)

Transmitter location On Bigelow Mt., 20 miles NE of Tucson, Ariz. (BMPCT-3294 9-7-55)

Main studio location 2175 N. 6th Ave. Tucson, Arizona (BMPCT-3294 9-7-55)

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COMM. TV B/C

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Card # 1

CH 9

Date first licensed 2-20-57 Off. No. 289

Call letters KGUN-TV (2-19-57, Eff. 3-14-57) ~~KKDWT-TV~~

(Sta. Loc. Tucson, Arizona)

Name of licensee GILMORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF ARIZONA (BALCT-239 7-20-64 EFF: 9-1-64)
X KGUN-TV, INC. (BALCT-143, 12-16-60 EFF: 2-1-61)
X TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY, INC. (BAPCT-205, 12-19-56 EFF: 1-24-57
X D. W. INGRAM AND KATHLEEN INGRAM, d/b as TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY

Transmitter location On Bigelow Mt., 20 miles NE of Tucson, Arizona (BMPCT-3294, 9-7-55) Lic. 2-20-57
X 1151 S. Warren, Tucson, Arizona

Main studio location 2175 N. 6th St., Tucson, Arizona (BMPCT-3294, 9-7-55) Lic. 2-20-57)
X 1151 S. Warren, Tucson, Arizona

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPCT-1974	4-19-55	Ch. # 9 186-192mc	V 57.5 kw A 34.7 kw	U	6-19-55 12-19-55
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station.					
BMPCT-3294	9-7-55	same	same	same	(3660') 6-19-55
Mod.CP(BPCT-1974)to chg. TL, SL,make minor Ant.chgs 2-7-56					
BMPCT-3738	2-9-56	same	same	same	6-19-55
Mod.CP(BPCT-1974,as mod)to extend completion dt. 6-7-56					
BMPCT-3749	4-4-56	same	V 58.9kw A 32.4kw	same	6-19-56 10-3-56
(3660')					
Mod. of CP(BPCT-1974,as mod.)to change ERP, install new transmitters and ant. system & make other equip. changes.					
WIRE	5-18-56	Reurlet 16,pending filing of Lic.Appl., auth. gr. to operate KDWI-TV Temp.for Per.End. 10-3-56 Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-3749. Advise when operation commence under this authority.			
BMPCT-4196	10-3-56	same	V-63.1 kw A-31.6 kw	U AH 3660 ft.	6-19-55 4-3-57
Mod.CP(BPCT-1974,as mod) to chg. ERP, make minor equipment changes.					
WIRE	10-3-56	Pending completion of construction, ext. auth. granted to operate temp. for period ending 4-3-57 Comm. Basis accord. CP(BMPCT-4196), except using facilities specified in CP(BMPCT-3749).			
BAPCT-205	12-19-56	Voluntary assignment of CP from D.W. Ingram & Kathleen Ingram, d/b as Tucson Television Company to TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY, INC. EFF:			
BLCT-546 AH 3660	2-20-57	Ch. #9 186-192	V-63.1kw A-31.6kw	U	2-20-57 10-1-59
License to cover CP (BPCT-1974, as mod.)					
BTC-3067	3-20-59	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by H.U. Garrett through purchase of 600 shares of stock from C.N. Peters. EFF: 4-15-59			
BRCT-289	9-16-59	same RENEWAL OF LICENSE	same	same	10-1-59 10-1-62
BTC-3597	12-14-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from H.U. Garrett, Tom B. Foster, W.E. Dyche, Jr., Tolbert Foster and Ben L. Slack to KGUN-TV, Inc. EFF: 1-31-61			
BALCT-143 TV, INC.	12-16-60	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO KGUN- EFF: 2-1-61)			

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COMM.TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters KGUN-TV

Station location Tucson, Arizona

Name of licensee KGUN-TV, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From-To
BRCT-289 AH: 3660'	10-31-62 MSL: --	CH#9 186-192	V-63.1 kw A-31.6 kw	U	10-31-62 10-1-65
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BTC-4544	7-15-64	Voluntary transfer of control of WEHT, INC. (parent corporation of licensee corporation) from Henry S. Hilberg, et al (all stockholders) to Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Arizona (55%) and Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Indiana (45%). EFF: 8-31-64			
BALCT-239	7-20-64	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO GILMORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF ARIZONA. EFF: 9-1-64			
BRCT-289 AH: 3660'	9-10-65 MSL: --	Ch. #9 186-192	V-63.1 kw A-31.6 kw	U	10-1-65 10-1-68
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BMLCT-455 Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP.	2-14-66	Same	Same A-12.6 kw	Same	2-14-66 10-1-68
BALCT-354	7-31-68	VOL. AL			
BRCT-289 AH: 3660'	9-25-68	CH-9 186-192	V-63.1 kw A-12.6 kw	U	10-1-68 10-1-71
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-289	9-30-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			10-1-74
EBSA BPCT-4655 AH: 3720' CP to chg	5-15-72 11-27-73 MSL: 8781'	Ch.9 186-192 ERP, TRANS & HAAT	V.110 kw A. 21.9	U	1-27-74 5-27-75
WIRE	11-11-74	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper. KGUN-TV on program test accord. Sect. 73.629 rules and CP BPCT-4655.			
WIRE	1-9-75	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper former main trans. on program test as aux. tran.			
BRCT-289 BLCT-2348 AH: 3720' MSL: 8781'	2-12-76	Ch. 9 186-192	V. 110 kW A. 21.9 kW	U	10-1-77
Lic. (BPCT-4655) for chgs. Renewal of license					
BLCT-2368 A. 21.9 kW	2-12-76	Ch. 9 186-192	FOR MAIN. TEST & AND Oper. Purposes		10-1-77
Lic to utilize former main trans as aux trans.					

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CARD#3

COMMERCIAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters KGUN-TV

Station location TUCSON, ARIZONA

Name of licensee MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From-To
BRCT-289 AH: 3660'	10-31-62 MSL: --	CH#9 186-192	V-63.1 kw A-31.6 kw	U	10-31-62 10-1-65
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BTC-4544	7-15-64	Voluntary transfer of control of WEHT, INC. (parent corporation of licensee corporation) from Henry S. Hilberg, et al (all stockholders) to Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Arizona (55%) and Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Indiana (45%). EFF: 8-31-64			
BALCT-239	7-20-64	VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF LICENSE TO GILMORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF ARIZONA. EFF: 9-1-64			
BRCT-289 AH: 3660' RENEWAL OF LICENSE	9-10-65 MSL: --	Ch.#9 186-192	V-63.1 kw A-31.6 kw	U	10-1-65 10-1-68
BMLCT-455 Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP.	2-14-66	Same	Same A-12.6 kw	Same	2-14-66 10-1-68
BALCT-354	7-31-68	VOL. AL			
BRCT-289 AH: 3660'	9-25-68	CH-9 186-192	V-63.1 kw A-12.6 kw	U	10-1-68 10-1-71
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-289	9-30-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			10-1-74
EBSA BPCT-4655 AH: 3720' CP to chg	5-15-72 11-27-73 MSL: 8781 ERP, TRANS & HAAT	Ch.9 186-192	V.110 kw A. 21.9	U	1-27-74 5-27-75
WIRE	11-11-74	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper. KGUN-TV on program test accord. Sect. 73.629 rules and CP BPCT-4655.			
WIRE	1-9-75	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. grtd. oper former main trans. on program test as aux. tran.			
BRCT-289 BLCT-2348 AH: 3720' MSL: 8781' Lic. (BPCT-4655) for chgs.	2-12-76	Ch. 9 186-192	V. 110 kW A. 21.9 kW Renewal of license	U	10-1-77
BLCT-2348 A. 21.9 kW	2-12-76	Ch. 9 186-192	FOR MAIN, TEST & AUX. Purposes Lic to utilize former main trans as aux trans.		10-1-77

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Comm TV B/C

Name D. W. Ingram and Kathleen Ingram d/b as Tucson Television Company (P.O. Box 2528, Tucson, Arizona)

Call Letters ~~NEW~~ KDWI-TV

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-1974 Recd & filed	3-31-55 4-1-55	CP for a new comm. TV b/c station Freq: Ch # 9, 186-192 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 57.7 kw, Aur. 34.7 kw Hours of operation: Unlimited T-L: 1151 S. Warren Street, Tucson, Arizona S-L: 1151 S Warren Street, Tucson, Arizona (Vis & Aur. RCA-TT-10AH) (190) Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty.	GRANTED	4-19-55
BMPCT-3294 Recd & filed	7-23-55 7-27-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1974 which authorized a new comm. TV b/c station) to change trans. & studio location from 1151 S. Warren, Tucson, Arizona to Bigelow Mt., Pima County, Arizona and 2175 N. 6th Street, Tucson, Arizona, respectively, and make minor antenna changes. Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty. (3665)	COMM. ACTION GRANTED	9-7-55

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COMM. TV B/C

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KDWI-TV

Name D. W. Ingram and Kathleen Ingram d/b as Tucson Television Company
Tucson, Arizona

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-3738 Recd & Filed Ext. #2	1-23-56 1-27-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1974, as mod., which authorized a new COMM. TV B/C Station)to extend completion date from 3-7-56 to 6-7-56. Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty.	GRANTED	2-9-56
BMPCT-3749 Recd & Filed	1-23-56 2-1-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1974, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station)to change Aur. ERP from 34.7 kw to 34.8 kw, install new transmitters and antenna system and make other equipment changes. (3665') (Vis. & Aur. G.E.-TT-32B) Filed by John Creutz, Atty.	GRANTED	4-4-56
BMPCT-4196 Recd & Filed	8-30-56 9-10-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1974, as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to change ERP from Vis. 58.9 kw, Aur. 32.4 kw to Vis. 62.6 kw, Aur. 31.3 kw and make minor equipment changes. Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty. (3665')	GRANTED	10-3-56
BMPCT- Recd	9-29-56 10-2-56	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1974,as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date.	RETURNED TO ATTORNEY Letter 10-3-56 APPLICATION UNNECESSARY view action 10-3-56 granting BPCT-4196	

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CARD # 3
FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

COMM. TV

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KGUN-TV
xKDWI-TV

Name TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY, INC.
x D. W. INGRAM AND KATHLEEN INGRAM, d/b as TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY
(Tucson, Arizona)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAPCT-205 Recd & Filed	11-28-56 11-28-56	Voluntary assignment of CP from D. W. Ingram and Kathleen Ingram, d/b as Tucson Television Company to Tucson Television Company, Inc. Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-19-56 1-24-57
BLCT-546 recd & filed	12-14-56 12-17-56	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-1974 as modified) which authorized a new comm TV b/c station Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty.	GRANTED	2-20-57
Amended Recd & filed	1-24-57 1-28-57	Amended to specify corporate name as Tucson Television Company, Inc. Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty.		

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Comm TV B/C
Call
Letters KGUN-TV

Name TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY, INC.
Tucson, Arizona

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-3067 Recd & filed	3-3-59 3-6-59	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by H. U. Garrett through purchase of 600 shares of stock from C. M. Peters. Filed by Welch, Mott & Morgan, Attys.	GRANTED EFF: 4-15-59	3-20-59
BRCT-289 Recd.&Filed	6-26-59 6-30-59	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by Edward P. Morgan, Atty.	GRANTED	9-16-59

PROTEST AND PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 10-14-59 by Paul Dobin for KVOA-TV(Arizona Broadcasting Company)
PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 10-15-59 by Francis X.McDonough for Old Pueblo B/C Co. KOLD-TV
OPPOSITION TO "PROTEST AND PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION" filed10-26-59 by Edward P.Morgan for KGUN-TV
OPPOSITION TO "PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION" filed 10-28-59 by Ed.P.Morgan for KGUN-TV
REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO "PROTEST AND PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION" filed 10-28-59 by Leonard H. Marks for KVOA-TV
MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER ADOPTED 11-12-59. PROTEST AND PETITIONS ABOVE DISMISSED.

FORM BC-121 #5
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KGUN-TV

Name KGUN-TV, INC.
X TUCSON TELEVISION COMPANY, INC.
Tucson, Arizona

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-3597 Rec'd Filed	11-19-60 11-22-60 11-22-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from H. U. Garrett, Tom E. Foster, W. E. Dyche, Jr., Tolbert Foster and Ben L. Slack to KGUN-TV, Inc. Welch, Mott & Morgan, Attys. for Transferor Bernard Koteen, Atty. for Transferee	GRANTED EFF:	12-14-60 1-31-61
BALCT-143 R & F	12-6-60 12-9-60	Voluntary assignment of license to KGUN-TV, Inc. (Contingent on grant of BTC-3597) Filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: 2-1-61	12-16-60
BRCT-289 Recd.&Filed	6-18-62 7-13-62	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty..	GRANTED	10-31-62
BTC-4544 Recd.&Filed	4-7-64 4-13-64	Volnntary transfer of control of WEHT, Inc. (parent corporation of licensee corporation) from Henry S. Hilberg, et al (all stockholders) to Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Arizona (55%) and Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Indiana (45%). Bernard Koteen-atty for transferor: Percy H. Russell, atty for transferee	GRANTED EFF: 8-31-64	7-15-64

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KGUN-TV

GILMORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF ARIZONA

Name X KGUN-TV, INC.
Tucson, Arizona

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALCT-239 Recd.&Filed	4-27-64 4-28-64	Voluntary assign ent of license to Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation of Arizona (Contingent on grant of BTC-4544) Percy H. Russell-atty	GRANTED EFF: 9-1-64	7-20-64
BRCT-289 R & F	6-18-65 6-29-65	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Percy H. Russell, Atty. (KIRKLAND, ELLIS, HODSON)	GRANTED	9-10-65
BMLCT-455 Rec. & filed	1-21-66 1-21-66	Mod. of license to reduce Aural ERP from 31.6 kw to 12.5 kw. Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & Masters-atty.	GRANTED	2-14-66
BALCT-354 R & F Press PN Rec'd	4-8-68 4-15-68 APR 22 1968 5-2-68	Voluntary assignment of license to MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty. (Vernon L. Wilkinson)	#420747 GRANTED Commission Action Memo Opinion & Order #18558 adopted EFF:	$150. 4-15-68 7-31-68
SEE PETITION ON OTHER SIDE		Notice of Appeal filed 9-6-68 by Southwest Cablevision, Inc. Case #22,269		

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BALCT-354

PETITION TO DENY filed 5-22-68 by John P. Cole (Cole, Zylstra & Raywid) for Southwest Cablevision, Inc.

OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 6-4-68 by Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna & Wilkinson) for MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY.

REPLY TO OPPOSITIONS TO PETITION TO DENY filed 6-14-68 by B. Jay Baraff for Southwest Cablevision, Inc.

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call Letters KCUN-TV

Name MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY
GILMORE BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF ARIZONA

CH. 9 TUCSON, ARIZONA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-289 R & F P.N. Press Engr. data filed 6-17-70	6-27-68 7-2-68 JUL 11 1968	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Percy H. Russell, Atty. (KIRKLAND, ELLIS, HODSON, CHAFFETZ & MASTERS). AMENDED 8-14-68 re legal and programming. AMENDED 9-30-68 re legal.	#441024 $150. GRANTED	7-2-68 9-25-68
BRCT-289 Rec. & filed PN RECD PRESS	6-14-71 6-30-71 6-30-71 JUL 8 1971	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thomas Frohock (McKenna & Wilkinson) Amended 8-5-71 re employment policy.	GRANTED	9-30-71
BPCT-4655 R & F #220311 $50 AC: 058 PRESS:	7-26-73 8-1-73 8-1-73 SEP 14 1973	CP to chg. ERP Vis. 109.7kW; Aur. 21.94kW; chg. type trans. RCA TT-25FH; HAAT: 3722 feet. Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Amended 11-5-73 re addtional info.	GRANTED	11-27-73

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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KGUN-TV

Name MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY
CH-9 TUCSON, ARIZONA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-289 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	6-10-74 6-20-74 6-20-74 JUL 10 1974	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) No Annual Report Filed (Atty. called 6-21-74)	GRANTED Issued with BLCT-2348	2-12-76
BLCT-2348 R & F #360919 $50. AC: 058 PRESS: $50.00 refunded 11-22-74 (Overpayment)	10-30-74 11-4-74 11-4-74 DEC 18 1974	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-4855) for changes. Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson, & Kittner)	GRANTED Issued with Renewal above.	2-12-76

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BRCT-289

INFORMAL OBJECTION filed 10-1-74 by residents of the city of Tucson, Arizona

RESPONSE TO INFORMAL OBJECTION TO KGUN-TV'S RENEWAL filed 12-23-74 by Vernon Wilkinson on behalf of May Broadcasting Company

Ltr. 2-2-76 from Richard J. Shiben to Black Media Coalition denying their informal objection.

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COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters KGUN-TV

Name MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY
CH-9 Tucson, Arizona

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLCT-2368 R & F #373549 $50 AC: 058 PRESS:	12-11-74 12-13-74 12-13-74 MAR 31 1975	License to utilize former main trans. as an auxiliary transmitter.(RCA TT-25FH) Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	2-12-76
BRCTV-330 R & F W614142 $100 AC: 100 Press:	9-2-76 9-15-76 9-15-76 7 OCT 1976	Request authority to operate Main and Aux. Transmitter by remote control from: 2175 North 6th Avenue. Tuscon, Arizona Atty.: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	10-12-76
BRCT-289 R&F PN RECD PRESS	5-16-77 5-23-77 5-23-77 JUN 14 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Trans.) Atty.: Vernon L. Wilkinson	GRANTED	9-12-77

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CARD NO. 10

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV
Call Letters: KGUN-TV

Name: MAY BROADCASTING COMPANY
CH-9

Station Location: TUCSON, ARIZONA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCT-800520KG	5-16-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED 9-22-80
R & F	5-20-80	ATTY: VERNON L. WILKINSON	
PN REC'D	5-20-80	{WILKINSON AND KITTNER}	

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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 radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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 television station history.