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Form BC 126
June ~~1954~~

PTA 12-31-57 began 1-1-58
Suspended Oper. 2-1-59 ret. 8-6-59

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COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

K T V G (EFF: 7-28-80
K T C M (Eff: 6-11-73)

Date first licensed 1-23-58 (Off. #408)

Call letters X KBLL-TV

Station location Helena, Montana

Name of licensee HELENA T. V., INC. (AL 3-20-80; Eff:
X CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.

Transmitter location Hogback Mtn., approx. 22 mi. NE of Helena, Mont. (BP 10-11-73)
X 2433 North Montana Avenue, Helena, Montana (BMLCT-628 gr. 8-30-66)

Main studio location 2433 North Montana Ave., Helena, Montana
X 2301 Colonial Drive, Helena, Montana
XXX Colonial Motor Inn, 9th Ave. & Stanley St., Helena, Mont. (MLCT 8-10-71)
X 2433 North Montana Avenue, Helena, Montana (BMLCT-628 gr. 8-30-66)

B S PROG. TEST AUTH. 12-31-57
(Began 1-1-58)

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMM, TV B/C

(AUTH. SUSPENDED OPER. 2-1-59) RETURNED TO AIR 8-6-59 appl. wire.
KBLL-TV (3-29-61)

CH 12

Date first licensed 1-23-58 (Off. #408)

Call letters ~~KBLL-TV~~

Tim-Babcock-and-Willard-L. Holter-d/b-as

Station Location: Helena, Montana

THE-BABCOCK-HOLTER BROADCASTING-COMPANY-(BALCT-352-4-26-68-EFF: not consummated chg. to BTC

X CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC. (BALCT-200 6-5-63 EFF: 6-19-63

X HELENA T.V., INC. (BALCT-137 1-18-61 EFF: 2-28-61)

CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC. (BAPCT-239 10-11-57 EFF: 10-22-57)

Name of licensee X THE PEOPLES FORUM OF THE AIR

2433 North Montana Avenue (BMLCT-628 gr. 8-30-66) Helena, Montana

X Southwest Corner of Cherry Street and Montana Avenue, Helena, Montana (MPCT- gr. 8-16-57)

X 11th Street near Intermountain College, Helena, Montana

Transmister location

2433 North Montana Avenue (BMLCT-628 gr. 8-30-66) Helena, Montana

X Southwest Corner of Cherry Street and Montana Avenue, Helena, Montana (MOD. gr. 8-16-57)

Main studio location 11th Street near Intermountain College, Helena, Montana

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

KXLJ-TV

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	To
BPCT-2128	2-13-57	CH #12	V-0.257	kw		4-13-57
AH-150'		204-210mcs.	A-0.127	kw U		10-13-57
CP for a new Comm. TV B/C Station.						
BMPCT-4805	8-16-57	same	V-0.973	kw U		4-13-57
AH: -370			A-0.486	kw		2-14-58
Mod.CP(BPCT-2128)to chg. ERP,TL,SL,type of transmitters to Ant. Sys. & equipment.						
BAPCT-239	10-11-57	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Capital City Television Inc. EFF: 10-22-57				
BMPCT-4929	11-27-57	CH#12	V-0.975	U		4-13-57
AH:-370'			A-0.486kw			2-14-58
Mod.CP(BPCT-2128,as mod)to chg. transm.&equipment.						
WIRE	12-31-57	RE LIC.BLCT-775 PROGRAM TEST AUTH. ACCORD. MPCT-4929 & COMPL. SE.C.3.640 of Rules.				
BLCT-775	1-23-58	CH#12	V-0.973	kw U	1-23-58	4-1-59
AH:-370'		204-210	A-0.486	kw		
License to cover CP (BPCT-2128,as mod).						
WIRE	2-4-59	RELETATTY, 1:30.NO OBJECTION SUSPENDING OPERATION KXLJ-TV, FOR PERIOD OF LICENSE BLCT-775 WHICH EXPIRES APRIL 1., 1959.				
COMMISSION	2-25-59	DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL APPLICATION APPLICANT WIRE 8-6-59 ADVISING THAT KXLJ-TV CH.12: FINDING THE MONTANA MICRO WAVE SPOKANE, HELENA CIRCUIT SUSPENDED HAS RETURNED TO THE AIR HOPEFUL OF REMAINING ON THE AIR SO LONG AS THE OUT OF STATE MICRO WAVE SIGNALS STAYY OFFXX THE HELENA CABLE CIRCUITS.				
BRCT-408	9-14-60	same	same	same	9-14-60	
	RENEWAL OF LICENSE				4-1-62	
BTC-3583	1-18-61	VOLUNTARY TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF Z Net, PARENT CORPORATION OF LICENSEE CORPORATION FROM E.B. CRANEY t al (All Stockholders) to Joseph S. Sample, Patricia L. Sample & Jerome Anderson. EFF:				
BALCT-137	1-18-61	Voluntary assignment of license to HELENA T.V., INC. EFF: 2-28-61				
BRCT-408	6-5-63	CH.#12	V-0.973	kw U		6-5-63
AH. -370		204-210	A-0.486	kw		4-1-65
RENEWAL OF LICENSE						
BALCT-200	6-5-63	Voluntary assignment of license to Capital City Television, Inc. EFF: 6-19-63				

Form BC 126 #2
June 1954

. COMM.TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters KBLL-TV

Station location HELENA, MONTANA

Name of licensee CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-To
BRCT-408	7-15-65	CH.#12	V-0.973 kw	U	7-15-65
AH: -370' MSL:--		204-210	A-0.486 kw		4-1-68
L.F. to show chg. of name		RENEWAL OF LICENSE			
BMLCT-628	8-30-66	CH.12	V-0.973	U	8-30-66
		204-210	A-0.175		4-1-68
Mod. of Lic. to reduce Aural ERP, redescribe trans.&studio location.					
BRCT-408	4-26-68	(L) RENEWAL OF LIC.			4-1-71
BALCT-352	4-26-68	VOL.AL	Not Consummated		
BTC-5740	12-18-68	VOL. TC			
BRCT-408	4-14-71	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (L)			4-1-74
BMLCT-718(1)	8-10-71	ML to chg. SL.			
EBSA	5-15-72				
BMLCT-766 (2)	8-16-73	ML to chg. SL			
BPCT-4611	10-11-73	Ch-12	V-195kW	Unl.	12-11-73
AH:2250' MSL:7936'		204-210	A-19.5kW		4-11-75
CPto chg. ERP, TL, SL, type trans, & ant., and HAAT.					
BRCT-408	5-31-74	Renewal of license (S)			4-1-77
BMPCT-7583 & BMPCT-7574	6-25-75	Ch. 12	V. 214 kW	U	12-11-73
AH: 2250' MSL: 7929'		204-210	A. 21.4 kW		12-25-75
MP(BPCT-4611)to chg ERP, trans, ant & HAAT					
To extend completion date					
BMPCT-7615 (1)	2-27-76	MP(BPCT-4611, as mod) to extend completion date to:			8-27-76
WIRE	5-27-76	re tend. lic. appl. auth. grted. oper. prog.test in accord. sec. 73.629 & BMPCT-7574, BMPCT-7615. This wire confirming phone auth. to atty. eff. 5-25-76.			
BRCTV-340 (3)	12-9-76	Remote control authority Studio loc.			
BRCT-408	3-15-77	Ch. 12	V. 0.973 kW	U	4-1-77
AH: -370' MSL: ---		204-210	A. 0.486		4-1-80
Renewal of license					

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COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters KBLL-TV

Station location .....

Name of licensee CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD NO. 1

Main studio location SEE CARD NO. 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BLCT-2543	4-29-77	Ch. 12	V. 214	kW U	4-1-80
AH: 2250	MSL: 7929	204-210	A. 21.4 kW		
Lic(BPCT-4611, as mod) for chgs.					
BTCTV-791003KI 11-29-79 VOL. TC					
BALCT-800227KF 3-20-80 VOL. AL					
BRCT-791203KX	3-25-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE(S)			4-1-83

Card # 1

FORM BC-121
FORMERLY FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Comm TV B/C

Call Letters KXLJ-TV

Name The Peoples Forum of the Air
(p.o. 1306 11th Avenue, Helena, Montana) (Communications to E. B. Craney, Box 1988, Butte, Montana)

Station Location: Helena, Montana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-2128 Recd Filed	4-14-56 5-10-56 5-10-56	CP for a new comm TV B/C station Freq: ~~Ch # 10, 192-198 Mcs.~~ ERP: Vis. ~~0.410~~ kw, Aur. ~~0.205~~ kw Hours of operation: Unlimited Station Location: ~~None Proposed~~ Trans Location: 11th Street near Inter-Mountain College, Helena, Montana (V. & A. Adler VST-150) (-152) Filed by Wheeler & Wheeler Attys. (R. G. Seaks) (Contingent on grant of BPCT-2126, KXLF-TV Proposed satellite of KXLF-TV with BPCT-2127 filed simultaneously also proposed satellite of KXLF-TV)	GRANTED	2-13-57
AMENDED RECD & FILED	11-9-56 11-13-56	AMENDED to change from Ch.# 10, 192-198 MCS to Ch.# 12, 204-210 MCS., ERP from Vis. 0.410KW, Aur. 0.205 KW to Vis. 0.256 KW, Aur. 0.128 KW, S-L from None Proposed to 11th St., near Intermountain College, Helena, Montana, type of antenna, other equipment changes and additional program information. Filed direct. (-152')		

Robert M. Silliman and Associates,
Consulting Engineers

CARD #2
FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC. (Gr. 10-11-57; Eff. 10-22-57)

Call Letters KXLJ-TV

X THE
Name PEOPLES FORUM OF THE AIR

Helena, Montana (P.O. Box 797, Helena, Montana - BAPCT-239)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-4805 Recd & Filed	7-25-57 7-26-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2128, which auth. a new Comm. TV b/c station) to change ERP from Vis. 0.257 kw., Aur. 0.127 kw. to Vis. 0.973 kw., Aur. 0.486 kw.; ant. ht. abv. aver. terrain to -366 ft.; transmitter and studio locations from 11th Street near Intermountain College, Helena, Montana to SW Corner Cherry St. & Montana Ave., Helena, Montana; type of transmitters to Gates BT-1AH; install new antenna system and make other equipment changes. Filed direct.	GRANTED	8-16-57
BAPCT-239 Recd & Filed	9-7-57 9-10-57	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Capital City Television, Inc. Filed direct.	GRANTED EFF:	10-11-57 10-22-57

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

CARD #3
FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call KBLL-TV COMM. TV 3-29-61
Letters KBLJ-TV

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
Helena, Montana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-4929 Recd & Filed	11-8-57 11-13-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2128, as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV broadcast station) to change transmitter to RCA TT-500-B and make other equip. change. Filed direct.	GRANTED	11-27-57
BLCT-775 Recd & Filed	12-28-57 12-30-57	License to cover CP (BPCT-2128, as mod.) which auth. a new Comm. TV broadcast station. Filed direct.	GRANTED	1-23-58
BRCT-408 Recd & Filed	12-29-58 1-2-59	Renewal of License. Filed direct.	GRANTED	9-14-60
BTC-3583 Rec'd Filed	10-31-60 11-1-60 11-7-60	Voluntary transfer of control of Z Net, Parent corporation of licensee corporation from E. B. Craney, et al (All Stockholders) to Joseph S. Sample, Patricia L. Sample and Jerome Anderson. Robert Seeks & Fanney Litvin, Attys. for Transferors John H. Midlen, Atty. for Transferees	GRANTED EFF:	1-18-61

FORM BC-121 #4 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955 CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
X HELENA T.V., INC.

Call Letters KBLI-TV (3-29-61)
~~KBLI-TV~~

Name X CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
Helena, Montana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALCT-137 Rec'd Filed	10-31-60 11-1-60 11-7-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Helena T. V., Inc. (CONTINGENT ON GRANT OF BTC-3583) John H. Midlen, Atty. for Assignor Vincent A. Pepper, Atty. for Assignee	GRANTED EFF:	1-18-61 2-28-61
BRCT-408 Recd.&Filed	2-22-62 3-1-62	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Thomas W. Fletcher, Atty.	GRANTED with BALCT- 200	6-5-63
BALCT-200 Rec. & Filed	12-7-62 12-13-62	Voluntary assignment of license to Capital City Television, Inc. Thomas W. Fletcher, Atty. Gr. Waiver Section 1.365 of Rules Comm/	GRANTED EFF: 6-19-63	6-5-63
BRCT-408 Recd.&Filed	12-31-64 1-12-65	RENEWAL OF LICENSE as may be taken under Doc.No.15415 & 15971 or any proceeding institute	GRANTED Subject to such action	7-15-65

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.

Tim Babcock and Willard L. Holter
d/b as THE BABCOCK-HOLTER BROADCASTING COMPANY (4-26-68 NOT CONSUMMATED

Call Letters KBLL-TV

Name XCAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.

CH. #12 HELENA, MONTANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMLCT-628 Recd. RESUB. RECD.FILED	4-10-66 4-13-66 5-27-66 8-4-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 0.486 kw to .175 kw and redescribe transmitter and studio location as 2433 North Montana, Helena, Montana.	$150. fee refunded #278360 ~~RETURNED 6-13-66~~ Improperly signed GRANTED	8-30-66
BRCT-408 R & F JAN 15 1968	12-29-67 1-2-68	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-26-68
BALCT-352 R & F (Form 314) chg. to BTC- 5740	2-29-68 3-1-68 MAR 12 1968 8-30-68	Voluntary assignment of license to Tim Babcock and Willard L. Holter d/b as THE BABCOCK-HOLTER BROADCASTING COMPANY. Mullin and Connor, Atty. (J. Parker Connor) AMENDED 3-28-68 re financial. Amended to change/to application Voluntary transfer of control of licenseec corporation from Paul MacAdam (43 1/3%) and A. W. Scribner (13 1/3%) to Tim Babcock (56 2/3%)	GRANTED EFF: A/L not consummated-application amended to BTC and returned to processing GRANTED EFF:	4-26-68 12-18-68 12-30-68

ENGR. DATA FILED 7-7-70

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Call Letters KBLL-TV

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-12 HELENA, MONTANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCT-408 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	12-24-70 1-4-71 JAN 28 1971 1-4-71	Renewal of License Atty.: M. S. Johnson (Fletcher, Heald) AMENDED 3-31-71 re financial data. Amended 4-14-71 to balance sheet	GRANTED	4-14-71
BMLCT-718 R & F #508731 $50 AC: 062 PRESS:	6-15-71 6-17-71 6-17-71 JUN 25 1971	ML to chg. SL to the Colonial Motor Inn, 9th Ave. & Stanley St., Helena, Montana. Atty.: Edward W. Hummers, Jr. (Fletcher,Heald)	GRANTED	8-10-71

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters K T C M
~~XKBLL-TV~~

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-12 HELENA, MONTANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-4611 R & F #181897 $1000 AC: 009 PRESS: MAY 21 1973 PN REC'D: GRANT FEE: $9000 GRANT FEE PAID: 1-14-74 AC: 010 #268733	5-4-73 5-4-73 5-4-73	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 251kW, Aur. 25.1kW; TL to Hogback Mtn., approx. 22 mi. NE of Helena, Mont. (46-49-35 111-42-33); SL to 2301 Colonial Dr., Helena, Mont.; type trans. to RCA TT-25FH; type ant. to RCA TW12A12-R; make chgs. in ant. structure; and HAAT 2250 ft. Atty.: Mullin, Connor and Rhyne Engr.: George M. Frese (East Wenatchee, Wash.) Amended 5-29-73 to correct V-C Amended 7-6-73 re financial	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION See over for condition	10-11-73
BMLCT-766 R&F #219971 $50 AC: 058 PRESS: AUG 9 1973	7-18-73 7-31-73 7-31-73	ML to chg. SL: 2301 Colonial Drive, Helena, Montana. Atty: S. White Rhyne, Jr. (Mullin, Connor & Rhyne)	GRANTED	8-16-73

BPCT-4611

Comments filed 6-19-73 by Robert E. Levine on behalf of Garryowen Corporation

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 7-2-73 by Sheldon C. Hofferman on behalf of Capital City TV, Inc.

REPLY TO COMMENTS ON APPLICATION FOR MAJOR CHANGE IN STATION AUTHORIZATION filed 7-3-73 by Sheldon C. Hofferman on behalf of Capital City TV, Inc.

RESPONSE TO CAPITAL CITY'S REPLY filed 7-18-73 by Robert E. Levine on behalf of Garryowen Corporation

Ltr. 8-9-73 from S. White Rhyne, Jr. on behalf of KTCM requesting action as soon as possible on application.

Garryowen Corporation's petition to deny application dismissed 10-11-73 Commission letter.

BPCT-4611 - condition:

This construction permit is granted subject to the following condition: That no request for program test authority will be approved until Mr. Bob Magness (1) completes the sale of all his interest in Capital City Television, Inc., and (2) severs all connection with Capital City Television, Inc., as officer or director.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters K T C M

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-12 HELENA, MONTANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPCT-4611 continued		Amended 8-17-73 re studiolocation Notice of Site Availability filed 10-5-73.		
BRCT-408 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	12-31-73 1-2-74 1-2-74 FEB 1 1974	Renewal of License Atty: Nathaniel F. Emmons (Mullin, Connor & Rhyne) Amended 2-26-74 re balance sheet, community interests, and equal employment opportunity	GRANTED	5-31-74
Ltr. 3-11-74 station now represented by Kirkland, Ellis and Rowe, (R. Russell Eagan, Esq.				
BRCT-408 continued		Amended 3-7-74 re public notice Amended 5-2-74 re community needs and interest.		

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COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters K T C M

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-12 HELENA, MONTANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-7574 Received Filed #368954 $50 AC: 058 PRESS:	11-18-74 11-27-74 1-24-75 11-27-74 JAN 30 1975	MP(BPCT-4611) to chg. ERP to Vis. 212kW, Aur. 21.2kW; chg. type trans. to RCA TT-25DH; type ant. to RCA TF-12BH; and make chgs. in ant. structure (decr. hght.). Atty.: R. Russell Eagan (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	6-25-75
BMPCT-7583 R & F #413167 $100. AC: -58 PRESS:	4-9-75 4-11-75 4-11-75 6 JUN 1975	MP (BPCT-4611, as mod.) to extend completion date to September 15, 1975. Atty: John C. Qualde (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	6-25-75

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

Call Letters K T C M

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-12 Helena, Montana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPCT-7615 R & F #509261$100. AC: 001 PRESS:	12-10-75 12-15-75 12-15-75 26 JAN 1976	MP (BPCT-4611, as mod.) to extend completion date. Atty: John C. Quale (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	2-27-76
BRCTV-340 Received Filed #633295 $100 AC: 001 PRESS:	10-25-76 10-29-76 11-5-76 11-5-76 15 NOV 1976	Request for authority to operate transmitter by remote control from: 2433 North Montana Avenue, Helena, Montana. Atty.: R. Russell Eagan (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe)	GRANTED	12-9-76
BRCT-408 R&F PN RECD PRESS	11-29-76 12-1-76 12-1-76 21 DEC 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: John Quale(Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe) Contours will be submitted per cover letter CONTOURS FILED 12-28-76 Amended 12-28-76 re new exh.#6	GRANTED	3-15-77

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

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May 1976

CARD#11

COMMERCIAL TV

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters K T C M

Name CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.
CH-12 HELENA, MONTANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
PRESS:	1-12-77 31 JAN 1977	Request of Bob Magness for issuance of a Tax Certificate pursuant to Section 1071 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 1071, in connection with his sale of ownership interest in Capital City Television, Inc. Atty.: Gary L. Christensen (Hogan & Hartson)		
BLCT-2543 R&F 566254$100 AC: 001 PRESS	5-6-76 5-10-76 MAR 31 1977	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4611, as mod.) for changes. Atty.: John Quale (Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe) Amended 5-14-76 to submit Exh. #1 re condition on CP.	GRANTED	4-29-77

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

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Call Letters K T V G ~~KTGM~~

Name HELENA T. V., INC.
X CAPITAL CITY TELEVISION, INC.

CH-12 Helena, Montana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTCTV-79 1003KI R&F PN REC'D (FORM 315) PRESS	10-3-79 11-7-79 '79 10 22	Voluntary transfer of control of license corporation from Tim M. Babcock to Lynn H. Koch and Karen L. Koch James R. Bayes, Atty.	GR. EFF:	11-29-79 12/10/79
BRCT- 791203KX R & F PN REC'D PRESS	11-27-79 12-03-79 12-03-79 DEC 31 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: JAMES R. BAYES (KIRKLAND & ELLIS)	GRANTED	3-25-80
BALCT- 800227KF R&F PN REC'D (FORM 316) PRESS	2-5-80 2-27-80 MAR 17 1980	Voluntary assignment of license to Helena T.V., INC. James R. Bayes, Atty. (~~Kirkl~~ KIRKLAND & ELLIS)	GRANTED EFF:	3-20-80 4-8-80

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.