

August 6, 1960

Mr. Joseph Stone
Assistant District Attorney
District Attorney's Office
155 Leonard Street
New York 13, New York

Dear Mr. Stone:

As I indicated to you in our telephone conversation on Friday, August 5, 1960, the Federal Communications Commission has been holding in abeyance the renewal of the license of Radio Station WINS because of the pendency of indictments against Messrs. Leeds and Granger, former employees of the station, for violation of the New York Commercial Bribery Statute, Penal Law, Section 438.

In discussions with the members of the staff of the Federal Communications Commission, it has been pointed out that these indictments per se are an indication that the thorough investigation conducted by your office has shown to your satisfaction that the station, as employer of these men, had no knowledge of their acceptance of payments from outside sources and that these had never been consented to. We believe that it would be most helpful if you would confirm by letter to the Secretary of the Federal Communications Commission any circumstances which you believe to be pertinent in this matter. We realize that this may be a somewhat unusual procedure, but since the Commission is an official agency of the Federal Government concerned with these matters, it would not seem inappropriate that they should have all of the facts.

We would be deeply grateful for any information which you might feel you are in a position to furnish to the Federal Communications Commission.

Sincerely yours,

J. Elroy McCaw

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cc: Mr. Ben F. Waple
Secretary, Federal Communications Commission
Washington 25, D.C.