

REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

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Date first licensed ... 11-19-48

WABB, INC. (AL-6-7-65:EEF: 7-1-65 x JULIUS W. DITTHAN AND HERNARD DITTMAN, d/b as RADIO STATION WAEB, (AL 10-21-5) x NORTHERN VIRGINIA BROADCASTERS, INCORPORATED (AL 2-20-58) EFF: 3-31-58 X-THE MOBILE PRESS REGISTER, INC. (MP 10-27-48)

Name of licensee & MOBILE DAILY NEWSPAPERS, INC.

(Daytime) 826 Dumaine Street, Mobile, Albama (BP-7-16-75) I 6-11-76)

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Transmister location N.E. Corner Whistler and Old St. Stephens Road, Mobile, Ala (Lic. 11-19-48)

826 Dumaine Street, Mobile, Alabama (BRC 2-8-78)

x 1551 Springhill Ave., Mobile, Ala. (tele. 4-7-69) x 962 Government Street, Mobile, Alabema(Itr. 7-5-60)

x Calvert Street and Old Shelton Beach Road, Mobile, Alabama (Let. IP 36601 XNE corner Whistler & Old St. Stephens Rd., N. of Mobile, Alabama Main studio location x 304 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama. (CP & MP 9-11-47) (L ZIP 36601

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed 11-19-48	Call letters WABB
	Station location
Name of licensee	

Transmitter location _____

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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BR-2121	3-29-67	1480kc	Skw-DA-N	U (Main) 4	-1-67 4-1-70
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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed ______ Call letters __WABB ______ Station location _____

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl.	Date		ı	Time	l Period
No.	Issued	Freq.	Power	Div.	From To
EMP-12321	3-12-68	Mod. of	CP(BP_1	7,760) for	
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BR-2121	4-1-70	Renewal NDEA	Main (1)	& Alt. (1)	4-1-73
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BTC-7110	4-13-73				
BR-2121(L)	4-13-73	RENEW	L OF MAIN	N & ALT.	1-1-76
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MOBILE DATLY NEWSPAPERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
B3-P-5523 Rec'd Filed	11-16-46 12-13-46 12-13-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broad- cast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1460kc Power: 5kw DA-W- DA-2 Hours of operation: Unlimited Trans. location: NE corner Whistler and Old St.Stephens Road, Mobile, Ala Studio location: 304 Government Street, Mobile, Alabems	informal relative	4-30-47 o filing an application to DA pattern the MP 2857
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	3-13-47 3-13-47 4-23-47	A.D.Ring, Engr. AMENDED to use directional antenna for both day and night.		

Transmitter- W.E. 405 B-2

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Call Letters WABB

Name MOBILE DAILY NEWSPAPERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Ac	Date
BMP-2857 Rec'd Filled	6-19-47 6-19-47 6-19-47	Med. of C.P. (83-P-5523, which authorised a new standard broadcast station) to make change is directional antenna system and to mount PM antenna on AM Tower.	GRANTED POR BL	9-11-47 nketing clause
		(Filed by Norman S. Case, Atty.; A. D. Ring, Engr.)		
Rec'd Filed	5-6-48 5-10-48 5-10-48	Mod. of C.P. (B3-P-5523, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from: 5-11-48 to: 6-15-48.	GRANTED re blank	5-18-48 ting clause

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Call Letters WABE

Name MOBILE DAILY NEWSPAPERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BL-3227 Rec'd Filed	6-14-48 6-15-48 6-15-48	License to cover C.P. (B3-P-5523, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.		11-19-48 ting clause
EMP-4248 Rec'd Filed	9-17-48 9-20-48 9-20-48	I MUNICIPALITIES OF CORRESPONDING SAME FOR SE		ing clause

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THE MCBILE PRESS REGISTER, INC.

Call Letters

WABB

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Date
BP-7017 Rec'd Filed	11-19-48 11-24-48 11-24-48	Construction permit to change frequency from 1480kc to 1320kc, and to make changes in directional antenna.	DISMISSED without prejudice 4-29-49 Order Issued
		Norman Case, Attorney Millard Garrison, Engineer	
BML-1406 Rec'd Filed	2-13-50 2-16-50 2-16-50	night use (DA-2) to employing directional antenna for night use only.	GRAVITE 4-21-50 subj. to filing appli. for direct measurement of power Ltr. 5-11-50 Issued with BZ-3214

Call WABE

Name THE MOBILE FRESS REGISTER, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BNL-1432 Rec'd Filed	7-3-50 7-6-50 7-6-50	Modification of license to change studio location from 304 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama to E. E. Corner Whistler and Old St. Stephens Road, Mobile, Alabama. (Millard M. Garrison, Engr.)	re blank	eting clause; r of Sect. 3.30 ify location as labama.
BR-2121 Rec'd	8-30-50 9-1-50	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	10-18-50
BZ-3214 Rec'd Filed	8-16-50 8-21-50 9-12-50	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. David L. Steel, Sr., Engr.	GRANTED re blan Waiver	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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NORTHERN VIRGINIA BROADCASTERS, INCORPORATED Name THE MOBILE PRESS REGISTER, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BR-2121 Rec'd Filed	7-9-53 7-13-53 7-13-53	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10_7_53
BR-2121 Rec'd Filed	12-2-54 12-6-54 12-6-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-9-55
ERC-878 Rec'd Filed	12-20-55 12-22-55 12-22-55	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 304 Government Street Mobile, Alabama, while using non-directional antenna.	GRANTED	12-27-55
BR-2121 Rec's & Fil	12-26-57 ed 12-30-57	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	7-25-58
Amended Rec'd. Filed	4-4-58 4-7-58 4-7-58	Amended to change name to NORTHERN VIRGINIA BROADCASTERS, INC.		
		F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

Northern Virginia Broadcasters, Incorporated
Namex THE MOBILE PRESS REGISTER, INC.

Call Letters

WABB

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BAL-2925 Rec'd Filed	1-14-58 1-17-58 1-17-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Northern Virginia Broadcasters, Incorporated.	GRANTED On condity within 60 consummation ment of li assigner s of its int note execut assignee a	2-20-58 3-31-58 on that days after on of assign- cense the hall dispose erest in the ted by the s part of the
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FORM BC-121

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Aug. 1955 JUILUS W. DITTMAN AND BERNARD DITTMAN, d/b as RADIO STATIOEStters W.A.B.B.

Name X NORTHERN VIRGINIA BROADCASTERS, INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BAL-3644 Rec'd. Filed	9-15-59 9-21-59 9-21-59	Voluntary assignment of license to Julius W.Dittman and Bernard Dittman, d/b as Radio Station WABB.	GRANTED EFF:	
		Philip M.B.ker, Atty.		
BRC-1718 Rec'd Filed	8-9-60 8-9-60	Modification of license (BS-2121) to change studic location from Calvert Street and Old Shelten Beach Road, Mobile, Alabama, TO 962 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama and to operate transmitter by remote control from Main Studio Location, while using non-directional antenna. Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED	
Rec'd&Filed	12-26-60	Renewal of license. Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED	7-20-61
		F.C.C. WASHINGTON, D. C.		

Call Letters WABB

Name Julius W. Ditthan and Bernard Ditthan, d/b as Radio Station Wash
Mobile, Alabams

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BR-2121 Rec'd Filed	12-24-63 12-27-63 12-27-63	Renewal of license Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED	3-13-64
RESUB R.&F.	4-24-64 5-25-64 5-28-64	Atty- Philip Baker	RETURNED NOT DATE GRANTED	9-25-64
HL-10,780 R. & F.	10-16-64 10-19-64	at present location of main transmitter, to Gi be operated on: 1480kc, 5kw, DA-N, as an Alternate Main Transmitter Remote Contral		-19-65
HZ-5422 R. & F.	10-22-64 10-27-64	THE PERSON NAMED AND ADDRESS OF TAXABLE PARTY AND ADDRESS OF TAXABLE PARTY.	RANTED	3-19-65

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WABB, INC.

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Julius W. Dittman and Bernard Dittman

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	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
	BAL-5464 R & F (Form 316	4-6-65 5-19-65	Voluntary assignment of license to WARB, INC.	GRANTED	6-7-65 7-1-65
	R_2121	12/16/66 12/23/66	Renewal of license (Main and Alternate-main) Atty: P. M. Baker	GRANTED	3-29-67
	BP-17,760 Rec'd Resub Filed	12-20-66 1-5-67 4-20-67	antenna avatam winc.hotel toward	GRANTED	7-13-67
The second secon	EMP+12,321 R.& F. MAR 7 1089	2-19-68 2-19-68		on ANTED to	3-12-68 5-15-68
		8	Atty: Jones, Sells & Baker (Philip Baker) P.C.C WASHINSTON, D. C.		

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Name	WABB, INC.	*
	Mobile, Alabama	

File No. BL-11,985 R & F #423095 \$30 PT JUN 14 1963	Dated 4/23/68 4/25/68 4/25/68 5/8/68	Application for License (BP-17,760 as mod.) for changes. Atty: Philip M. Baker Engr: Louis R. Du Treil	Matur	
BZ_6863 R & F DM JUN 2 7 TOTAL AMENDMENT RAF	4/29/68 4/30/68 6/19/68 6-28-68	Direct Meas. (Alt-Main) Atty: P'illip M. Baker Engr: I uis R. du Treil AMENDED Section -II and engineering.	GRANTEL	7-10-68
BR-2121 R & F #566001 \$105 PRESS PN PRESS FE	12-11-69 12-30-69 12-30-69 8 1 8 1970	Renewal of license (Main & Alt.Main) Atty- Philip M. Baker AMENDED 3-23-70 re: Programming AMENDED 3-30-70 re: programming	GRANTED	4-1-70

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Letters ... W.A.B.B

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MANUE	Mobi	e, Ala.	
-	-	SHALL	

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BTC=7036 Re&'E FEE PD: \$25	10-25-72	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of lic corp by Bernard Dittman thru purchase of	GRANTE	
ALSO SEE FM	316)	stock from J.W. Dittman Atty - P. Baker (SEE OVER)	EFF:	5-8-73
JAN 9 19	12-29-72 3 12-22-72	NOTE: also see BTC-7110(below) RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER.MAIN)		
BR-2121 R & F, PN Recd.	12-22-72	Philip M. Baker, Atty. AMENDED 3-29-73 re: ownership report; community	GRANTED	4-13-73
PRESS FEE	6 1973	survey		
BTC-7110 R & F	100 July 30	lic corp by Bernard Dittman, individually (50%)	GRATED 4	-13-73
CODE 053((orm 316)	and as Custodian for Stephanie and Betsy Dittman(1.2%) thru transfer of stock from J.	EFF: 5	5-8-73
APR 1	0 1973	Atty - Philip Baker (Sed Over)		

RE: BTC-7110 - This applic. filed to reflect unauth. To which occurred 3-17-72)
RE: BTC-7036 - AMENDED 4-3-73 - bal. sheet; legal data re stock

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Call Letters WAE

Name WABB, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BP- 19,980 Rec'd Filed \$50-292631 AC-056 PRESS:	3-15-74 3-18=74 3-18-74	Construction permit to a new site for the daytime operation from 826 Dumaine Street, Mobile, Alabama, (former site of WMOZ) existing tower will be used. Nighttime site will remain the same. 30° 43' 11" 88° 04' 16"	GRANTED	7-16-75
00 0101	11 20 20	Atty. Philip Baker		
BR-2121 Rec'd	11-28-75	Renewal of license	GRANTED	5-28-76
P.N. rec'd		Sect. II for Alt. trans.		
PRESS	EB 13 1976	AMENDED 2-20-76 re: rngineering AMENDED 3-3-76 re: Balance Sheet		
		P.G.G WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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Name WABB, INC.

Mobile, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BL-14,151 R & F \$100#560714 PTA PRESSMAY 1 4	4-24-76 4-27-76 4-28-76 5-7-76	Lic. to cover BP-19,980 for changes transmitter: Bauer FB-XXXXXXX 5V(daytime site) Atty: Philip M. Baker		6-10-76
BRC-3974 R & F PRESS:	11-30-77 12-19-77 AN 20 1978	Modification of License to change studio location to: 826 Dumaine St., Mobile, Alabama and operate transmitter by Remote control from the proposed studio site. Atty:	GRANTED /	2-8-78
BP-21,176 R & F PRESS APR	3-20-78 3-27-78 2 0 1978	Construction permit to use daytime tower as aux liary nighttime site at: **COOCHEDENTERS* Strokester Construction		

BP-21,176

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Name WABB, INC.
MOBILE, ALABAMA

FIVE	ILE, ALABAM		
File No. BR 78 12 01 PRESS JAN	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE	Application for RENEW L OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER.TR NS.) Philip M. Baker, atty AMENDED 8-4-80 re: EEO	Nature Date GRANIED 10-30-79 Cond'l re: EEO
AMENDED 810220AG	11-12-80 RESUBMITTE	Construction permit to change frequency from 1480khz to 1160khz; increase day power from 5kw to 10kw; decrease night power to 1kw; change SL: 1551 Springhill, Mobile, Alabama, and make chgs in antenna system. MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 ATTY: Philip M. Baker Public Notice Add, change city of license from Mobile, to Prichard, Alabama	RETURNED 1-30-81 Section 01-281 Comm. Rule

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. 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 – 3" by 5" filing cards – 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). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only one set is known to exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

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 h andwritten 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.

