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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-1-50

W B L T (Ltr. 1-31-50)
Call letters x W B L X
Location: Bedford, Virginia

Name of licensee BEDFORD BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Transmitter location Corner Gum and Poplar, Bedford, Virginia (Lic. 3-1-50)
x Galax Street, Bedford, Virginia (CP 10-21-49)

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Main studio location Corner Gum and Poplar, Bedford, Virginia (Lic. 3-1-50)
x Galax Street, Bedford Virginia (CP 10-21-49)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period		
					From-	To-	
BP-7209	10-21-49	1490	250w	Un	12-21	6-21-50	
	CP for a new station (COND. CLAUSE)						
BL-3962	3-1-50	1490	250w	Un	3-1	8-1-51	
	Lic. to cover CP (7209) for a new station. (COND. CLAUSE)						
BR-2419	7-25-51	1490	250w	U	8-1	10-1-51	
BR-2419	9-26-51	1490	250	U	10-1	10-1-54	
BTC-1284	3-31-52	Transfer of control of licensee corpl					
	Eff. 4-7-52	from Ludwell A. Strader and Kenneth I. Duffin and 6 other stockholders to ADDIE N P. MARSH, JR. and 5 other stockholders					
BR-2419	9-8-54	Renewal of license				10-1	10-1-57
BP-9481	11-3-54	1350	1kw	Day	1-3	7-3-55	
	C.P. chg. freq.; incr. power; chg. hrs. oper.; new T and chgs. in antenna system						
Telegram	9-15-54	Waiver Sec. 3.71 to sign-off daily at 7:15 pm period ending 2-14-55					
BL-5639	3-16-55	1350	1kw	Day	3-16	10-1-57	
	Lic. cover CP (BP-9481) chg. freq, inc. power, change hours, install new trans. & make ant. chang.						
BTC-2146	2-23-56	Vol. transfer of control to James E. Synan and Gordon L. Synan, as family grp					
	EFF: 4-2-56						
TELEGRAM	9-30-57	Action on renewal deferred, continued operation authorized until final <u>determination on renewal application.</u>					
BR-2419	10-9-57	Renewal of License				10-9	10-1-60
BR-2419	9-28-60	Renewal of License				10-1	10-1-63
BP-15791	12-20-62	1350kc	1kw	Day	2-20	8-20-63	
	CP to install new trans. (GATES BC-1G)						
	10-30-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.					
BR-2419	3-20-64	Renewal of License				3-20	10-1-66
BR-2419	3-20-64	Superseding Authorization Corrected- of wrong form issued.					3-20 10-1-66

Form BC 126 #2
June 1954

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See Card # 1

Station location _____

Name of licensee _____

Transmitter location _____

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BL-10,271	6-16-64	1350kc	1 kilo	Day	6-16 10-1-66
		Lic to cover CP(BP-15,791) which auth the installation of a new trans.			
BZ-5808 (1)	12-1-65	Auth. to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BR-2419	9-9-66	1350kc	1kw	Day	10-1 10-1-69
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	250w		
BR-2419 (S)	6-25-70	Renewal of License			10-1-72
BS-2419(L)	5-20-71	Mod. of lic. to correct April SR.			
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-2419(S)	3-12-73	Renewal			10-1-75
BZ-8468(1)	2-26-74	Direct Measurement			10-1-75
BR-2419(L)	10-7-75	RENEWAL			10-1-78
BTC-8327	5/26/77	Vol acq of pos con EFF:			
BR-2419	9-26-78	(S) REN. OF LIC.			10-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

W B L T (1-31-50)

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Letters

New

Name BEDFORD BROADCASTING CORPORATION(PO 419-Warren-Avenue, Lynchburg, Virginia) P. O. Box 406, Bedford, Va. per ltr.

11-22-49

Action

File No.

Dated

Application for

Nature

Date

HP-7209

4-28-49

Construction permit for a new standard broad-
cast station to be operated onGRANTED 10-21-49
re blanketing clause

Rec'd

4-28-49

Frequency: 1490kc

Filed

4-28-49

Power: 250w

Hours of operation: Unlimited

Trans. location: Galax Street,
Bedford, Virginia

Studio location: Galax Street

Bedford, Virginia

John R. Creutz, Engr.

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FORM A-170

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Name BEDFORD BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-3962 Rec'd Filed	2-5-50 2-6-50 2-8-50	License to cover C.P. (BP-7209) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. (John Creutz, Engr.)	GRANTED re: blanketing clause	3-1-50
BR-2419 Rec'd	5-28-51 5-31-51	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-25-51
BR-2419 Rec'd Filed	8-28-51 8-29-51 8-29-51	Request for renewal of license	GRANTED	9-26-51
BTC-1284 Rec'd Filed	3-1-52 3-3-52 3-3-52	Transfer of control of licensee corporation from Ludwell A. Strader and Kenneth I. Duffin & 6 other stockholders to Addison P. Marsh, Jr. and 5 other stockholders (500 shares).	GRANTED Eff	3-31-52 4-7-52

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Letters WBLTName BEDFORD BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
Rec'd	5-19-52 6-3-52	Transfer of 562 shares of stock by Constance I. Marsh to A. P. Marsh, Jr.	RETURNED as unnecessary	6-6-52
BR-2419 Rec'd Filed	6-26-54 6-29-54 6-29-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	9-8-54
BP-9481 Rec'd Filed	9-23-54 9-24-54 9-24-54	Construction permit to change frequency from 1490kc to 1350kc; increase power from 250w to 1kw; change hours of operation from U to Daytime; install new transmitter (SATES BC-1F) and make changes in the antenna system, (increase height). Page, Creutz, Garrison & Waldschmitt, Engrs	GRANTED	11-3-54

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Bedford, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-5639 Rec'd Filed	2-3-55 2-9-55 2-9-55	License to cover construction permit (EP-9481) which authorized change freq.; increase power; change hours of operation; install new transmitter and make changes in antenna system. Page, Creutz, Garrison & Waldschmitt, Attys.	GRANTED	3-16-55
BTC-2146 Rec'd Filed	1-6-56 1-18-56 1-18-56	Voluntary acquisition of control of licensee corporation by James E. Synan and Gordon L. Synan, as a family group, thru purchase of stock from Addison P. Marsh, Jr.	GRANTED EFF:	2-23-56 4-2-56
BR-2419 Rec'd Filed	7-2-57 7-5-57 7-5-57	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	10-9-57
BR-2419 Rec'd Filed	6-28-60 6-29-60 6-29-60	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-28-60

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Bedford, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Act	
			Nature	Date
BP-15,791 R. & F.	11-27-62 11-28-62	CP to install new trans. (Gates DC 1G).	GRANTED	12-20-62
BR 2419 Rec'd Filed	7-15-63 7-17-63 7-17-63	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-20-64
BL-10,271 R. & F.	8-16-63 8-19-63	Lic to cover CP(BP-15,791) which auth the installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	6-16-64
BZ-5808 R & F	10/19/65 10/19/65	Authority to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.	GRANTED	12-1-65

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Call Letters WBLT

Name BEDFORD BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Bedford, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2419 R & F	5-25-66 5-26-66	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-9-66
BR-2419 R & F #522461 \$75. PRESS JUL 2 1969	6-14-69 6-16-69 6-16-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 3-6-70 re: Programming	GRANTED	6-25-70
3-11-71	Annual filing fee \$16.00 paid 11-5-70. #642507.			
BR-2419 R & F P.N. PRESS JUL 28 1972	6-30-72 7-3-72 7-3-72	Renewal of License AMENDED 9-11-72 re: ascertainment of community problems & commercial practices AMENDED 11-20-72 re: statement on commercial policy	Granted	3-12-73
BZ-8468 R & F DM PRESS 12 FEB 1974	11-23-73 11-26-73 12-10-73	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	2-26-74

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Form BC-121
September 1969
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Letters W B L T

Name BEDFORD BROADCASTING CORPORATION
BEDFORD, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2419 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	5-27-75 5-29-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 8-21-75 re: EEO	GRANTED	10-7-75
BTC-8327 R & F FORM 316	5/6/77 5/9/77 MAY 18 1977	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of lic corp by James E. Synan thru transfer of stock from the Estate of Gordon L. Synan, deceased Atty - Miller & Fields Over	GRANTED EFF:	5/26/77
BR-2419 R & F PRESS	5-29-78 6-1-78 JUN 30 1978	Renewal of License	GRANTED	9-26-78

BTC-8327 - Note: Unauth. Invol. TC took place in 1973
Explanation re above & Court Order - filed 5-24-77

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W B L T

Name: Bedford Broadcasting Corporation

Station Location: BEDFORD, VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BR810602UI PRESS JUL 3 1198 PN Filed		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	

RECORD OF APPLICATIONS REQUESTING FACILITIES OF BROADCASTING STATION ~~W-B-L-T~~ ^{X W B L X} (LTR. 1-31-50)
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Licensee

File No.	Date	Call Letters	Name and Location of Applicant	Remarks	Disposition

Renewal
Requested

Date
Received

Designated
for Hearing

Reason

Remarks

12/21/71

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 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 radio station history.

