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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 4-21-59 W P A D 2-15-79
Call letters X W D X R

Station location Paducah, Kentucky

Name of licensee PADUCAH BROADCASTERS, INC. (AL 2-14-79 EFF: 2-15-79)
X W D X R, INC. (AL-1-6-65; EFF: 1-8-65)
X E. WEAKS MCKINNEY-SMITH

Transmitter location Intersection of Bechtolde Road with N.C. & St.L. R.R., Paducah, Kentucky/ (CP 2-13-57)

1700 North 8th St., Paducah, Ky. (Ltr. 3-1-79)

X 1400 Kentucky Ave., Paducah, Ky. (Ltr. 3-23-70)

X Hotel Irvin Cobb (Top floor), Paducah, Kentucky (Ltr. 9-21-59)

X 110 North 7th St., Paducah, Kentucky (BL 4-21-59)

ZIP 42001

Main studio location X To be determined, Paducah, Kentucky (CP 2-13-57)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-9268	2-13-57	1560kc	1kw, DA-1	Un	4-13-57 10-13-57
	CP for new standard broadcast station. (cond'1)				
BMP-7848 (1)	9-25-57	Modification of C.P. (BP-9268) for new Standard Broadcast Station, for extension of completion date to 10-15-57			
BMP-7897 (2)	10-15-57	Mod. of CP (BP-9268, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 12-1-57			
BMP-7958 (3)	12-10-57	Mod. of CP (BP-9268, as mod.) for extension of completion date to January 2, 1958.			
BL-6974	4-21-59	1560kc	1kw, DA-1	Un	4-21 8-1-61
	License to cover CP (BP-9268 as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and specify studio location as 110 North 7th Street, Paducah Kentucky, specify transmitter type (Gates EC-1J).				
	7-26-61	Comm. deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BRC-1828 (1)	8-18-61	Mod. of license to change studio loc. to Hotel Irvin Cobb, Paducah, Kentucky and operate transmitter by Remote Control from studio location.			
BR-3742 &	11-16-61	1560kc	1kw	DA-1 U	11-16 8-1-64
BRC-1828	11-16-61	Mod. of license to change studio loc. to Hotel Irvin Cobb, Paducah, Kentucky and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.			
BR-3742	7-24-64	Renewal of License		7-1	8-1-67
BAL-5310 EFFI	1-6-65 1-8-65	Voluntary assignment of license to WDXR, INC.			
BP-16,317	2-25-65	CP to increase daytime power from 1kw to 5kw, install new trans (Gates BC-10P) and change from DA-1 to DA-2.			10/25/65
BL-11,043	10-28-65	1560kc	1kw, 5kw	DA-2 U	10-28 8-1-67
	Lic to cover CP (BP-16,317) which auth increase daytime power & install new trans (GATES BC-10P) & chg to DA-2				

Form BC 126 #2

June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location

Name of licensee See Card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-17029	2-15-67	1560kc	1kw, 10kw	25 DA-2 U	4-15 10-15-67
	CP to increase daytime power to 10kw, and make changes in daytime Directional Antenna pattern (Cond'1).				
BMP-12,170 (1)	10-12-67	Mod. of CP (BP-17,029) for extension of completion date to			1-15-68
BMP-12,276 (2)	2-14-68	Mod. of CP (BP-17,029, as mod.) for ext of completion date to			4-15-68
BMP-12430(3)	7-3-68	MP (BP-17,029) to make changes in the MEOV (daytime).			
BR-3742(S)	9-10-68	Renewal of License & NDEA			9-10 8-1-70
BL-12,241(L)	1-31-69	Lic. (BP-17,029 as mod.) incr. daytime pwr, chg. daytime DA-pattern, chg. MEOV (daytime)			8-1-70
BRC-3343(1)	11-7-69	Operate RC.			
Ltr.	3-23-70	Studio 700 Kentucky Ave., Paducah, Ky.			
BR-3742(L)	2-4-71	Renewal & NDEA			8-1-73
EBSA	5-25-72				
BTC-7394	5-22-74	INVOL. TC EFF:			
BR-3742(L)	9-10-74	RENEWAL			8-1-76
BR-3742(L)	9-9-77	RENEWAL & Mod.			8-1-79
EAL 781219EB	2-15-79	Vol. AL			
EBSA	2-15-79	chg. call			
Ltr.	3-1-79	chg. SL (see front)			
BR790402VU (L)	7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters How - W D X R

Name E. Manks McKinney-Smith
PO Box 68, Paducah, Ky.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-9268	4-17-54	Construction permit for a new standard broad-	DISMISSED	10-29-54
Rec'd	4-30-54	cast station to be operated on:	EFFECTIVE	11-24-54
Filed	4-30-54	Frequency: 1560kc	EFF: DATE STAYED	11-30-54
		Power: 500w DA-1, 1kw	GRANTED	2-13-57
		Hours of Operation: Unlimited	Conditions: Installation	
		Trans. Location: Intersection of Bechtolde Rd. of properly designed	phase monitor; Field	
		with N. O. & St. L. Railroad, Paducah, Kentucky	measuring equip'mt to	
		Studio Location: To be determined	be available at all	
		Paducah, Kentucky	times; Submission of	
		Miller & Schroeder, Attys.	complete non-DA proof	
		A. D. Ring, Engrs.	of performance.	
AMENDED	9-24-54	AMENDED to increase power to 1kw and make		
Rec'd	9-28-54	changes in directional antenna system.		
Filed	9-28-54			

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Gates BC-1F

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955 #2

Call
Letters W D X RName E. WEAKE MCKINNEY-SMITH

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7848	9-7-57	Modification of Construction Permit (BP-9268 which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 9-13-57 to 10-15-57. Atty's: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	9-25-57
Rec'd	9-9-57			
Filed	9-9-57			
BMP-7897	9-30-57	Modification of construction permit (BP-9268 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 10-15-57 to 12-1-57. Atty's: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	10-15-57
Rec'd	10-4-57			
Filed	10-4-57			
BMP-7958	11-21-57	Modification of construction permit (BP-9268 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 12-1-57 to 1-1-58. Atty's: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED to	12-10-57 1-2-58
Rec'd	11-22-57			
Filed	11-22-57			

FORM BC-121 #3

AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WDXRName E. WEAKS MCKINNEY-SMITH

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-6974 Rec'd Filed	12-12-57 12-17-57 12-17-57	License to cover construction permit BP-9268 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station and specify studio location as 110 North 7th Street, Paducah, Kentucky, specify type transmitter as (GATES BC-1J). Atty's: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	4-21-59
BRC- Rec'd	9-22-59 9-23-59	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from Hotel Irvin Cobb (Top floor), Paducah, Kentucky <i>John H. [illegible]</i> <i>John H. [illegible]</i>	RETURNED Filed on wrong form	9-24-59

AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WDXRName E. WEAKS MCKINNEY SMITH
PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-1828 Rec'd Filed	3-14-61 3-17-61 3-17-61	Modification of license to change studio location from 110 North 7th St., Paducah, Kentucky TO Hotel Irvin Cobb, Paducah, Kentucky and operate transmitter by Remote Control from studio location.	GRANTED <i>Letter written. Not issued. License issued with renewal, same art. Issued with renewal)</i>	8-18-61
BR-3742 Rec'd&Filed	5-2-61 5-8-61	Renewal of License	GRANTED (Issued with BRC-1828)	11-16-61
BR-3742 R & F	4-30-64 4-30-64	Renewal of license. Atty: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	7-24-64
BP-16317 Rec'd Filed	8-10-64 8-11-64 8-11-64	CP to increase daytime power from 1kw to 5kw install new transmitter (Gates BC-10P) and change from DA-1 to DA-2 Atty. Miller & Schroeder Eng. Ralph J. Bitzer, St. Louis, Mo.	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Monitor; Meas. Equip; DA & NON-DA Proof; Section 73.87 of Rules; Field intens. meas. data.	2-25-65
AMENDED R&F	1-8-65 1-11-65	AMENDED TO change name to WDXR, INC. (BAL 5310 gr. 1-6-65)		

FORM BC-121 #5

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

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Letters WDXR

WDXR, INC.

Name x E. WEAKS McKINNEY-SMITHPaducah, Ky.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-5310 R & F EFF:	12-6-64 12-9-64 1-8-65	Voluntary assignment of license to WDXR, INC. Atty - Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED Eff: 1-8-65	1-6-65
BL-11,043 R & F	7/14/65 7/15/65	Lic. to cover CP (BP-16317) which auth. incr. daytime power & install new trans. (Gates BC-10P)& chng. to DA-2. Attys: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	10-28-65
BP-17,029 Rec'd Filed	12-6-65 12-7-65 12-7-65	CP to increase daytime power from 5kw to 10kw, and make changes in daytime Directional Antenna pattern. Atty: Miller and Schroeder Engr: Ralph J. Bitzer	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & complete non-DA proof. Prepsunrise operation, Sufficient field intensity measurements.	2-15-67
BR-3742 R & F	6-28-67 6-30-67	Renewal of license Atty- Arthur H. Schroeder (By letter of 11-30-67 apparent forfeiture liability of \$100) C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED	9-10-68

BP-17,029

CONTACT: E. Weaks McKinney-Smith

PHONE: Code 502; 443-1737

ADDRESS: Hotel Irvin Cobb

Paducah, Kentucky 42001

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955 #6

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters WDXR

Name WDXR, INC.
PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,170 R & F SEP 22 1967	9-12-67 9-13-67	Mod. of CP(BP-17,029 which auth increase day- time power and make changes in Daytime DA pattern) for extension of completion date from 10-15-67 to 1-15-68 Atty. Miller and <u>Schroeder</u>	GRANTED	10-12-67
BMP-12,276 R. & F. FEB 2 1968	1-8-68 1-10-68	Mod. of CP (BP-17,029, as mod., which auth. incr. day power, and make changes in daytime DA pattern) for ext. of completion date from 1-15-68 to 4-15-68. atty-Miller and Schroeder	GRANTED	2-14-68
BMP-12,430 R.&F. #429574 \$30 JUN 24 1968	5-15-68 5-17-68 5-17-68	Mod. of CP(BP-17,029 as mod) to make changes in the MEOV(daytime). Atty-Miller & <u>Schroeder</u> Engr-Ralph J. Bitzer, St. Louis, Mo.	GRANTED	7-3-68

FORM BC-121

AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WDXRName WDXR, INC.
Paducah, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-12,241 Rec'd #413720 \$30 AMENDED: (OVER) Filed PT	3/18/68 3/20/68 3/20/68 4/17/68 7/23/68 7/29/68	License (BP-17,029 as mod.) incr. daytime power, chng. daytime DA-pattern, chng. MEOV (daytime) Re proof of performance Atty: Athur H. Schroeder Engr: Ralph J. Pitzer, St. Louis, Mo.	GRANTED	1-31-69
JAN 1 1969 SRC-3343 R & F #516004 \$30. MAY 2 1969	5-16-69 5-19-69 5-19-69	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from Hotel Irvin Cobb, Paducah, Kentucky. (DA-2). Atty.: Arthur H. Schroeder Amended 7-7-69 to include monitoring point readings.	GRANTED	11-7-69

AMENDED: R & F 7/23/68 re antenna characteristics
SUPPL. INFO: R & F 8/19/68 proof of performance

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1560kc

Call
Letters WDXR

Name WDXR, Inc.
Paducah, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
3-5-70	by letter	Apparent liability for forfeit re f \$10,000.		
BR-3742	4-27-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
R & F	5-4-70	Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty.	GRANTED	2-4-71
\$75 #598673	"			
PN Recd.	"			
PRESS	MAY 26 1970	The Commission by letter of 2-5-74 notified station of apparent liability for \$2,000 for violation of Section 1304.		
BR-3742	5-1-73	Renewal of License		
R & F	5-3-73		GRANTED	9-10-74
PN	5-3-73	Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder		
PRESS		AMENDED 7-9-73 re: commercial policy		
JUN 11 1971				
ETC 7394	3-16-74	Involuntary transfer of control of lic corp		
R & F	3-20-74	from E. Weaks McKinney-Smith to Lady Sarah	GRANTED	5-22-74
FEE PD: \$250 #293560		McKinney-Smith, Executrix of the Estate of	EFF:	
CODE 047 (Form 316)		E. Weaks McKinney-Smith, Deceased		
APR 10 1974		Atty - Miller & Schroeder		

The Commission by Memo. Opinion & order of 8-6-74 rescinded notice of apparent liability for forfeiture of \$2,000.

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Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

8-59

Call WPAD
Letters -W-D-X-R

PADUCAH BROADCASTERS, INC.

Name ~~X~~WDXR, INC.

PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3742 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-23-76 3-31-76 " MAY 15 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 7-30-76 re: programming AMENDED 11-17-76 re: trans. logs	GRANTED	9-9-77
BAL781219EB PRESS Form 314 PN FILED	DEC 28 1978 1-17-79	Vol AL to Paducah Broadcasters, Inc. (over) MUTUALLY CONTINGENT ON GR OF WPAD	GRANTED EFF: 2-15-79	2-14-79
BR790402VII PRESS	MAY 9 1979	Renewal of License Atty. John A. Borsari	GRANTED	7-18-79

BAL781219EB Amended 1-29-79 personal endorsement of Edward Fritts; and a stock pledge; ascertainment data & Programming data.

AMENDED 1-31-79 re: past B/c int. of Edward Fritts & ascertain data with regard to AM & FM program duplication

AMENDED 1-31-79 re: EEOP data and statement on employment complaints'

AMENDED 1-31-79 re: Exh. D (Sales Agreement) & state. with reference to Mrs. McCallum's affiliation with WDXR-TV.

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.

