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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 12-9-49

Call letters W.I.R.J.
LOCATION: HUMBOLDT, TENNESSEE

WARMATH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (ML-10-5-81)

xxTHE COURIER-CHRONICLE, INCORPORATED (AL gr 8/12/76 EFF: 8-25-76)

x GIBSON COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY (MP 11-22-48)

Name of licensee x HUMBOLDT-MILAN-TRENTON BROADCASTING CO.

Transmitter location South of McKnight Street, between 15th and 17th Avenues, Humboldt,
Tennessee (MP 11-22-48) (L.c. 12-9-49)

2606 E. End Dr., Humboldt, Tenn. (BS 6-24-64)

x 10 - 22nd Avenue, Humboldt, Tennessee (Lic. 12-9-49)

Main studio location x To be determined, Humboldt, Tennessee (MP 11-22-48)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-6232	6-2-48 Ltr. 6-8-48.	740	250w	Daytime	station granted subj. filing MP for approval T site and antenna. (COND. CLAUSE)
BP-6232 BMP-4134	11-22-48 Mod. CP (6232) to	740	250w	Daytime	1-22 7-22-49 change type of T and for approval T site and antenna. (COND. CLAUSE)
BMP-4376	1-14-49 Mod. CP (6232 as mod)	740	250w	Daytime	1-22 7-22-49 to change type of T. (COND. CLAUSE)
BL-3557	12-9-49 Lic. to cover CP (6232 as mod)	740	250w	Daytime	12-9 11-1-52 and specify studio location. (COND. CLAUSE)
Telegram	2-12-51	Temp. permission granted			2-16-51 thru 3-16-51 to use lower class operator
Telegram	3-19-51	Above authority extended			until 4-16-51
Tele.	4-13-51	Auth. ext. until			5-13-51 to operate with lower class operator.
BTC-1124 EFF.	7-25-51 8-6-51	Vol. Acquisition of control of licensee corp. by J. FRANK WARMATH thru purchase of 5000 shares of stock from Thomas M. Hobbs			
BTC-1283 EFF	5-1-52 5-6-52	Vol. relinquishment of control by J. Frank Warmath TO MARION WARMATH			
BR-2380	10-15-52	740kc	250	Daytime	11-1 8-1-55 (Co Clause)
BRC-257 (1)	1-8-54 from 210-	Mod. of lic. to operate trans. by R.C. 22nd Ave., Humboldt, Tenn.			
BR-2380	7-20-55	740kc	250w	Day	8-1 8-1-58
BTC-2050 EFF;	8-31-55 10-5-55	Vol. acquisition of positive control by J. Frank Warmath.			
BR-2380	-18-58	Renewal of license			8-1 -1-61
	7-26-61	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2380	8-17-61	Renewal of license			8-17 8-1-64
BS-2380 (1)	3-25-64	Mod. of license to correct coordinates (Memo).		change	the geographical

Form BC 126

June 1954

CARD #2

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Station location HUMBOLDT, TENNESSEE

Name of licensee GIBSON COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BS-2380 (2)	6-24-64	Mod. of Lic. to chg. studio & delete RC oper. of trans. from old studio loc.			
BRC-2511 (3)	7-31-64	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 2606 East End Drive, Humboldt, Tennessee.			
BR-2380	7-22-64	740kc	250w	Day	8-1 8-1-67
BZ-5255	9-25-64	740kc	250w	Day	9-1 8-1-67
		Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BR-2380	7-18-67	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-70
BR-2380(S)	10-15-70	Renewal			8-1-73
Ltr.	3-18-71	Trans. GATES BC-1G installed			
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-2380(L)	7-31-73	RENEWAL			8-1-76
BAL-8703	8/12/76	Vol AL EFF: 8-25-76			
BR-2380(L)	1-25-77	Renewal of License			8-1-79
BZ-9670(1)	5-22-78	Direct Measurement			
BR790326UN (S)	8-21-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name HUMBOLDT-MILAN-TRENTON BROADCASTING CO.
(PO Plaza Theatre Building, Humboldt, Tennessee)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
HP-6232	7-23-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 250kc 740kc Power: 1kw 250w Hours of operation: Daytime only Trans. location: To be determined- Humboldt, Tennessee Studio location: Humboldt, Tennessee (Filed by William Thomson, Atty.; Andrew D. Ring, Engr.)	DOCKET # 8531 granted 6-2-48 after being removed from hearing subj. filing MP for approval of antenna and T sit and to such interference, if any that might be received in event of a grant of File No. BP- 6526 Mississippi Projects Inc. Ltr. 6-8-48	
Rec'd	7-28-47			
Filed	7-28-47			
AMENDED	4-5-48	AMENDED to change frequency from 950kc to 740kc	Issued with MP 4134	
Recd.	4-6-48	and power from 1kw to 250w		
Filed	4-9-48			

Transmitter-RCA BTA-1L

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-4134 Rec'd Filed	8-17-48 8-20-48 8-20-48	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6232, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Gates BC-250-GY) and for approval of antenna and transmitter location at South of McKnight Street between 15th and 17th Avenues, Humboldt, Tennessee. (Geo. O. Sutton, Atty.; A.D. Ring, Engr.)	GRANTED re blanketing clause	11-22-48
AMEND. Rec'd Filed	10-22-48 10-28-48 10-28-48	Amended to change name from Humboldt-Milan-Trenton Broadcasting Company <u>TO</u> Gibson County Broadcasting Company.		
		Ltr. 11-29-48 from applicant notifying Commission that J. Frank Warmath, Humboldt, Tenn. is to be referred to in all future matters which are referred to counsel.		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-4376 Rec'd Filed	12-17-48 12-20-48 12-20-48	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6232, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Collins 300-G).	GRANTED re blanketing clause	1-14-49
BL-3557 Rec'd Filed	1-26-49 1-28-49 1-28-49	License to cover C. P. (BP-6232, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) and to specify studio location as 210 - 22nd Avenue, Humboldt, Tennessee. (Wm. Thomson, Atty)	GRANTED re blanketing clause	12-9-49
BTC-1124 Rec'd Filed	5-18-51 5-24-51 5-24-51	Voluntary acquisition of control of licensee corporation by J. Frank Warmath thru purchase of 5000 shares of stock from Thomas M. Hobbs.	GRANTED Eff.	7-25-51 8-6-51

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-1283 Rec'd	2-26-52 2-29-52	Voluntary relinquishment of control by J. Frank Warmath to Marion Warmath thru sale of 5,000 shares of common stock (50%)	RETURNED	3-4-52
Resub. Rec'd	3-18-52 3-21-52		Application filed	on wrong form.
Filed	3-21-52		GRANTED	5-1-52
			EFF	5-6-52
BR-2380 Rec'd Filed	7-10-52 7-14-52 7-14-52	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10-15-52
BRC-257 Rec'd Filed	12-9-53 12-14-53 12-14-53	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 210- 22nd Avenue, Humboldt, Tennessee.	GRANTED	1-8-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2380 Rec'd Filed	4-13-55 4-18-55 4-18-55	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-20-55
BTC-2050 Rec'd Filed	8-16-55 8-19-55 8-19-55	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by J. Frank Warmath thru purchase of stock from Marion Warmath.	GRANTED EFF:	8-31-55 10-5-55
BR-2380 Rec'd Filed	4-23-58 4-29-58 4-29-58	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-16-58
BR-2380 Rec'd Filed	4-28-61 5-1-61 5-1-61	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	8-17-61
BZ-5255 Rec'd Resub R. & F.	5-5-64 5-14-64 5-18-64	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	RETURNED NOT-DATED OR SIGNED GRANTED	5-7-64 9-25-64

FORM BC-121
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HUMBOLDT, TENNESSEE

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			Nature	Date
BR-2380 R. & F.	5-2-64 5-5-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-22-64
BRC-2511 Rec'd Filed	7-20-64 7-22-64 7-22-64	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 2606 East End Drive, Humboldt, Tennessee.	GRANTED	7-31-64
BR-2380 R & F	4-17-67 4-21-67	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-18-67
BR-2380 R & F #598675 \$75. PN PRESS	4-24-70 5-4-70 5-4-70 5-4-70 MAY 26 1970	Renewal of license Atty: Dave M. Redmond (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson) AMENDED 7-20-70 re: business interests; commercial matter AMENDED 10-6-70 re: commercial practices	GRANTED	10-15-70

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Form BC-121
September 1969

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Letters **W I R J**Name **THE COURIER-CHRONICLE, INCORPORATED**
X GIBSON COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY
HUMBOLDT, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2380 R & F PN PRESS JUN 3 1973	4-21-73 5-3-73 5-3-73	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-31-73
BR-2380 R & F PN Recd. PRESS APR 30 1976	3-25-76 3-29-76 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 8-11-76 to change name of applicant to "The Courier-Chronicle, Incorporated SEP 2 1976	Granted	1-25-77
BAL-8703 Rec'd Filed Fee pd \$200 Code 047 (FORM 316) See WIRJ-FM also JUN 10 1976	5/4/76 5/7/76 6/2/76 W 575764	Voluntary assignment of license to THE COURIER-CHRONICLE, INCORPORATED	GRANTED EFF: 8-25-76 NO FEE:	8/12/76

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Name THE COURIER-CHRONICLE, INCORPORATED
Humboldt, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-9670 R & F DM PRESS	2-1-78 2-7-78 4-25-78 MAY 8 1978	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	5-22-78
BK 790326 UN PRESS	JUN 5 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	8-21-79

W I R J - RECORD OF DENIAL OF INFORMAL APPLICA.

Ltr. 8-24-49 request for permission to broadcast
local election returns from 12:01 am
to 2:00 AM Sept. 4, 1949.

Tele 7-28-50 request to remain on air until midnight 8-3-50
to broadcast state and local election returns.

RECORD OF APPLICATIONS REQUESTING FACILITIES OF BROADCASTING STATION... W. I. R. J.

Licensee

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

Renewal
Requested

Date
Received

Designated
for Hearing

Reason

Remarks

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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 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. 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.

