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STATION LOCATION: CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGIN

WKAZ, INC. (AL-4-8-64 EFF: 5-13-64) *RADIO WKAZ, INC., (AL 3-30-60; EFF: 5-15-60

x KANAWHA VALLEY BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 1-17-57; EFF: 3-7-57)

DICE L. SMITH, JR., INCORPORATED (AL 7-6-48; EFF: 8-1-48

Name of licensee X JOE L. SMITH, JR.

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4256 West Washington, Charleston, West Virginia (BZ 3-4-64) (Re-descpt.)

XI. S. Route 35, Mt. Teler, West Virginia (Lic. 5-5-50)

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Transmitter location Eighway #35, 1.5 miles Morthwest of South Charleston, W. Va. (CP 3-20-46)

25301 Heart O'Town Motor Inn, Washington & Broad Sta., Charleston, W.Va.(Ltr.4-10-68)
X208-210 Dickenson Street, Charleston, West Virginia (Ltr. 2-20-57)

x Garfield Avenue, Bownemont, West Virginia. (ML 7-6-56)

2804 Kanawha Blvd., Charleston, West Virginia

Main studio location X to be determined, Charleston, W. Vs. (CP 3-20-46)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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Name ... JOE L. SMITH. JR. (P.C. 608 Woodlawn Avenue, Beckley, West Virginia)

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	NATURE	DATE	
B2-P-3666 Red'd Filed	7-21-44 7-25-44 7-25-44	Construction Permit for a new standard broad cast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1408-ke 950 kc Power: -250w 1kw - DA Hours of Operation: Unlimited time Trans. & Studio Locations: To be determined. Charleston, W. Va (Filed by H. T. Slaughter, Atty.; Grant R. Wrathall, Engr.)	GRANTED pe amend, rea bearing and ORDER ISSUE Granted as	eve from d grant - ED 3-20-46 amended preval CAA	
Amended lec'd & Filed AMENDED Recd. Filed	9-16-46 9-26-45 3-12-46 3-13-46 3-20-46	AMENDED to change frequency from 1400kc to 950kc, power from 250w to 1kw, change type of transmitter, install DA for day and night use and specify transmitter location as Highway 35, 1.5 miles N.W. of Charleston, W. Va.			

COMPOSITE Transmitter

Call Letters W X N A

Name JOE L. SMITH, JR.,

File No.	Dated	Application for	Ac Nature	tion Date
BRMP-2235 Rec'd Filed	10-28-46 11-1-46 11-1-46	Modification of Construction Permit (B2-P- 3666, which authorized a new standard broad- cast at lan) for extension of completion date from 11-20-46 to 12-20-46.	GRANTEI	11-8-46
		Harrison T. Slaughter, Att'y		
B2-MP-2334 Rec'd Filed	12-10-46 12-12-46 12-12-46	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-3666, as modified, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 12-20-46 to 1-20-47. (Harrison T. Slaughter, Atty.)	GRANTEI	12-30-46

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name JOE L. SMITH, JR.,

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B2-2-2057 1-	-4-47	station and to specify studio location as 04 Konawha Blvd., Charleston, West Virginia and Authority to determine operating power by		
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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JOE L. SMITH, JR., INCORPORATED (AL 7-6-48; EFF: x JOE L. SMITH. JR. Name

File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	otion Date
RAL-722 Rec'd Filed	4-15-48 4-16-48 4-16-48	Voluntary Assignment of License from Joe L. Smith, Jr. to Joe L. Smith, Jr., Incorporated Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	55	7-6-48 8-1-48
BP-6977 Rec'd Filed (See amendm Card #5	No. of Concession, Name of Street, or other Persons, Name of Street, or ot	Construction Permit to increase power from lkw day and night to 1 kw, 5kw-LS and install a new transmitter (Collins 21-A) and change to DA-2. (Filed by Ralph L. Walker, Atty.; James C. McNary, Engr.)	CB candle	5-16-49 leting clause ledoSci2049 stoof epplicant
EP-7073 Rec'd Filed	1-25-49 1-26-49 1-26-49	on No. 4 AM tower. (Ralph Walker, Atty.)	formance indicate the attern remaily unchange of 8-12-4	ond. that cond. that proof of per- be filed to hat the DA mains essenti- nged!

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Call Letters J. K. N. A.

Name JOE L. SMITH, JR., INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature Date
BP-6977 (c AMENDED Recd. Filed	ont. from (4-9-49 4-11-49 4-11-49	AMENDED re change in DA pattern for daytime use (DA-2) and change transmitter location from Highway 35, 1.5 miles Northwest of South Charleston, W. Va. to U. S. Route 35, Mt.Tyle West Va. (description only).	F,
BMP-4691 Rec'd Filed	7-6-49 7-8-49 7-8-49	Modification of construction permit (BP-6977, which authorized increase in power, installation of a new transmitter and change in the directional antenna pattern (DA-2)) to change type of transmitter (Federal Telephone and Radio 196-A). Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	GRANTED 7-22-49 re blanketing clause

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Call Letters WKNA

JOE L. SMITH, JR., INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	otion e Date
BMP-4910 Rec'd Filed	12-8-49 12-12-49 12-12-49	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6977, as mod., which authorized increase in power, installation of a new transmitter and change in the directional antenna pattern (DA-2)) for extension of completion date from: 1-16-50 to: 4-16-50.		TED 12-23-49 nketing clause
		(Robert E. Hodson, Atty.)		
BR-1432 Rec'd	2-27-50 3-1-50	Renewal of license Filed by Robert E. Hodson atty.	Granted	4-21-50

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name JOE L. SMITH, JR., INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	ction e Date
BL-4009 Rec'd Filed	10-25-49 10-26-50 3-21-50	License to cover C.P. (BP-6977, as mod.,) which authorized increase in power, installation of a new transmitter and change in the directional antenna pattern (DA-2). (Ralph L. Walker, Atty.) (Grant R. Wrathall, Engr.)		NPID 5-5-50 ceting clause;
BR-1432 Rec'd Filed	1-7-53 1-9-53 1-9-53	Renewal of License Filed by Robert E. Hodson, Atty.	GRANTED	4-8-53
BR-1432 Rec'd Filed	6-28-54 7-6-54 7-6-54	Renewal of License Filed by Robert E. Hodson, Atty.	GRANTED	9-22-54

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

KANAWHA VALLEY BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 1-17-57; EFF: Letters XW K N A

Name I JOE L. SMITH, JR., INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date Date
BML-1674 Rec'd Filed	6-15-56 6-21-56 6-21-56	Modification of license to change studio location from 804 Kanawha Blvd., Charleston, W. Va., to Garfield Avenue, Bownsmont, W.Va. (WKNA-TV Studios). Atty Pierson, Ball & Dowd		7-6-56 er of Section
BAL-2537 Rec'd Filed	12-7-56 12-14-56 12-14-56	Pierson, Ball & Dowd for Assignor.	GRANTED EFF: Cond'l resondition	hat assignment ummated until ley B/Cing es of all WGKV,

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Name KANAWHA VALLEY BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Act Nature	ion Date
BR-1432 Rec'd Filed	5-3-57 6-27-57 6-27-57	Renewal of License. Leonard H. Marks, Atty.	GRANTED	9-11-57
BP-11,637 Rec'd Filed	10-8-57 10-14-57 10-14-57	Construction permit to change from employing directional antenna night and day to direction antenna nighttime only (DA-2 to DA-N) and opertrans. by remote control daytime from 210 Dickenson Street, Charleston, W.Va (studio location) Atty Cohn & Marks	al ate	9-17-58
BL-7346 Rec'd Filed	12-4-58 12-8-58 12-24-58	License to cover construction permit (BP-11,637) which authorized changing from directional antenna night and day to directional antenna nighttime only (DA-2 to DA- and operate transmitter by remote control daytime from present main studio location. Atty- Cohn & Marks F.C.C. WASHINGTON, D. C.		-10-59

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING FORM BC-121 10 Call Aug. 1955 RADIO WKAZ, INC. Letters Name XXIA A.HA VILLY PROADCASTING CO.FALY Charleston, West Virginia Action File No. Application for Nature Dated Date ERO-1973 GRANTED 6-17-60 by Resote Control from 70 -210 Dickerson Str 11-16-59 Filed Antenna (DA-N). (BAL-3818) AMENDED 6-13-60 to change name of licensee/ Stanley B. Cohen, Atty. BAL-3818 2-26-60 Voluntary assignment of license to Radio GRANT D 3-30-60 2-29-60 Rec'd WKAZ. Inc. EFF: 5-15-60 Filed 2-29-60 Marcus Cohn, Atty. BR-1432 6-30-60 Renewal of license GRANTED 9-20-60 Rec'd 7-13-60 Atty: Marcus Cohn Filed 7-13-60 Renewal of License 7-9-63 BR-1432 GRANTED 2-14-64 7-12-63 Rec'd Stanley B. Cohen, Atty. Filed 7-12-63

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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MKAZ, INC. x RADIO WKAZ, INC.

Charleston, West Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BZ#5108 R. & F.	10-31-63 11-1-63	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty- Cohn & Marks	GRANTED	3-4-64
R&F	- <u>2-25-61</u> 2-27 - 64	Voluntary assignment of license to WKAZ, INC Atty for assignor - Cohn & Marks Atty for assignee - Fisher, Wayland etc	J. C. LED	4-8-64 : 5-13-64
BR-1432 R & F	6-20-66 6-23-66	Renewal of license Atty. Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd	GRANTED	10-31-66
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W K A Z

Name WKAZ, INC. Charleston, West Virginia					
File No.	* Dated	Application for	Action Nature Date		
BR-1432 R & F #526508 \$75. P. N.	6-28-69 7-1-69 7-1-69 7-1-69	Renewal of License AMENDED 8-18-69 re: Engineering Data Atty.: Grover C. Cooper	GRANTED	2-3-70	
JUL 2 8 1968 31-12,520 2 5 F 15 5191830 514-13- 2-69	10-3-69 10-10-69 10-10-69	license CP (BF-18,549) install Alternate Fain Transgitter (COLITES 21-E)	GRANTED	3-6-70	
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Pd. 063 4-22-75 416007 Bleasting Co. Inc. TRANS. DATE 800804 3, 452.00 DAY

Form BC-121 September 1969 NameWK	#14 AZ, INC. arleston, We	APPLICATION RECORD - BRUADCASTING	Call Letters	150 KHZ WKAZ
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BR- 1432 RestdF PN Recd. FILED PRESS	5-29-75 5-29-75 " 6-5-75 JL 1 5 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER.TRANS.) Grover C. Cooper, atty.	GRANTED	4-9-76
BR-1432 R & F PRESS	5-31-78 6-1-78 JUN 1 4 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTERNATE MAIN) Atty. Clifford M. Harrington (Fisher, Waylan	GRANTED ad, Southmayd	9-14-78 & Cooper)
BZ-9809 R & F PRESSFEE 29	5-16-78	DIRECT MEASUREMENT	GRANTED	3 6-80
		F. C. C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

3-22-78 REPLY TO FORMAL OBJECTION TO CHANGE CALL LETTERS WKSD FILED BY JOHNSON BROADCASTING CO. ATTYS. ROBERT L. OLENDER.

950 kHz

Call Letters: WKAZ

Name: WKAZ, INC.

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Station Location: CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

Station Location:	HARLESTON	, WEST VIRGINIA	
File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
EZ-810302-AD R & F DM PRESS MAR 2 0 198		DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty:	GRANTED 4-28-81 (Issued with renewal)
BR-810522UQ Press. AU6 6 186		Renewal of License Atty: Grover C. Cooper	GRANTED 10-22-81
			Form BC-121 March 1979

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.

