

W J T H

BC-126
February 1974

#5053

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed September 20, 1977

Call letters W J T H

Station location Calhoun, Georgia
SAM THOMAS, RICHARD JONES AND SIDNEY ABERNATHY A PARTNERSHIP
dba CHEROKEE BROADCASTING COMPANY (LAL/-24-80, EFF: 7-25-80)

Name of licensee xxx WILLIAM HILL, RICHARD JONES, LAMAR HAND, SAM THOMAS, A PARTNER-
SHIP DBA CHEROKEE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location On Tucker Hollow Rd., 0.3 mi. N. of Rt. 53, Calhoun, GA

102 Memorial Road, Calhoun, Georgia

Main studio location x To be determined Calhoun, Georgia

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-20,035(L)	5-2-77	CP for a new station	900khz 1kw Day		5-2-78
BP-20,035(L)		MP to assign call letters			
EBSA-6-21-77 COMTEL	8-18-77	PSA	853w		
BL-14,341(L)	9-20-77	Lic. to cover BP-20,031 for New Standard Broadcast Station	900khz 1kw Day (RC)		4-1-79
BR781201VA (S)	3-27-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-82
BAL800617E	7-24-80	VOL AL.		EFF: •	7-25-80

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters NEW W J T H

Name WILLIAM HILL, RICHARD JONES, LAMAR HAND SAM THOMAS,
A PARTNERSHIP dba CHEROKEE BROADCASTING COMPANY
Calhoun, Georgia (c/o P. O. Box 381, Calhoun, Ga. 30701

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-20,035	8-21-75	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station on:	Designated for Hearing	
Rec'd	8-22-75	Freq. 900khz.	OCT 29 1976	20929
Filed		Power 1kw		
\$200-468140	8-22-75	Hours of operation: Daytime	GRANTED	5-2-77
AC-001		Trans. loc. - 1.2 miles SE of Gordon County On Tucker Hollow Rd., 0.3 mi. N. of Rt. 53, Courthouse, Calhoun, Georgia		
SEP 16 1975		Studio loc. & RC To be determined		
PN filed 11-21-75		Transmitter: Gates ME1 Req. WCGA Fac. -34°-29'-40" - 84°-55'-45" 34° 27' 38" 84° 53' 48"		
		Atty: Lawrence J. Bernard Jr.		
		Amended 1-20-76 re: Sec. III, IV-A, Sec. V-G, chg. trans. loc. to: On Tucker Hollow Rd., 0.3 mi. N. of Rt. 53, Calhoun, Ga. chg. type trans. & coor.		
		Amended 4-12-76 re Section III para 2a, Exh. 5, 5D, appendix, E and Exh 5 financing		

Amended 5-4-76 re Partnership Agreement

Amended 8-5-76 re: response to ltr. dated 7-27-76, exh. 5 appendix E, Sec. IV-A exh. 6,8 & bank ltr.

Amended (Order) Financial infor. Bank letter

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name WILLIAM HILL, RICHARD JONES, LAMAR HAND, SAM THOMAS,
A PARTNER ~~SHP~~ DBA CHEROKEE BROADCASTING COMPANY
Calhoun, Gerogia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-14,341 R & F PTA PRESS AUG 11 1977	5-30-77 6-1-77 6-15-77	Lic. to cover BP-20,031 for NEW STANDARD BROADCAST STATION SL: 102 Memorial Rd. Calhoun, Ga. Atty: Lawrence J. Bernard, Jr.	GRANTED	9-20-77
BR781201VA PRESS JAN 26 1979		Renewal of License Lawrence J. Bernard, Jr.	GRANTED	3-27-79
60022 Form 316 rec PRESS	1-29-80 2-25-80	Vol. AL to Sam Thomas, Richard Jones and Sidney Abernathy, dba Cherokee Broadcasting Company Atty - Lawrence Bernard, Jr.	RETURNED Form 314	3-7-80 Necessary

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SAM THOMAS, RICHARD JONES AND SIDNEY ABERNATHY, A PARTNERSHIP
dba CHEROKEE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Call Letters: WJTH

Name: ~~WILLIAM HILL~~, RICHARD JONES, LAMAR HAND, SAM THOMAS, A PARTNERSHIP DBA
CHEROKEE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Station Location: Calhoun, Georgia

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL800617EI Form 316 PRESS	JUL 3 1980	Voluntary assignment of license to Sam Thomas, Richard Jones and Sidney Abernathy, a partnership dba Cherokee Broadcasting Company Atty-Lawrence J. Bernard Jr.	GRANTED 7-24-80 EFF: 7-25-80

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.

