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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-14-57 Call letters W K L M

THE THOMS BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (AL: 12-19-79 EFF: 12-28-79) Station Location: Wilmington, N. C.
Leland, North Carolina
* ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (AL 12-3-59, EFF: 1-1-60)
* W K I M, INC. (APL-12-29-58; EFF: 12-31-58)

Name of licensee d/b as EAST COAST RADIO CO.
* HAROLD H. THOMS, MEREDITH S. THOMS, AND MATILANN S. THOMS,

Hwy. 0.1 mi. N. of Sturgeon Creek Bridge, Navassa, N. Carolina (P791031AA 2-2-81)
* Navassa Road, approx. 0.7 mi. SW intersection with Rts. US-74-76, Wilmington, N. C. (Redescribed per ltr. 2-24-60)

Transmitter location Vanassa Rd., approx. 0.7 mile SW intersection with Route US 74-76, Wilmington, North Carolina (CP 9-27-56) (L 3-14-57)
Vanassa Road, approximately .6 mile SW of intersection with Route US 74-76, Wilmington, North Carolina (CP 5-29-56)

SEE CARD #2
* 28 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina (Redescribed per ltr. 2-24-60)
* 120 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina (BRC-1054) (L 3-14-57)
* Vanassa Rd. approx. 0.7 mile SW intersection with Route US 74-76, Wilmington, North Carolina (CP 9-27-56)

Main studio location Vanassa Road, approximately .6 mile SW of intersection with Route US 75-76, Wilmington, North Carolina (CP 5-29-56)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From--	To--
BP-10304	5-29-56	790kc	500w	Day	7-29-56	1-29-57
	CP for new standard broadcast station					
BMP-7357 (1)	9-27-56	Mod. of CP(10304) to change antenna-transmitter, and studio location.				
BRC-1054 (3)	11-30-56	Modification of construction permit to operate trans. by remote control from 120 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina				
BMP-7418 (2)	11-5-56	Mod. of CP(10304 as mod.) to change type of transmitter. (cond'l clause)				
BL-6452	3-14-57	790kc	500w	Day	3-14	12-1-57
	License to cover BP-10,304 as mod. for new station					
BMP-7252	6-17-57	980kc	5kw	Day	8-17-57	2-17-58
	Mod. of CP CP(10304) to change frequency, increase power, and change type transmitter. (ISSUED AS CP)					
BL-6452	11-20-57	Renewal of license			12-1	12-1-60
BMP-8020 (1)	1-31-58	Mod. of CP (BMP-7252) for extension of completion date to August 17, 1958.				
BMP-8197 (2)	8-1-58	Mod. of CP(BMP-7252 as mod.) for extension of completion date to December 17, 1958				
BL-7251	12-8-58	980kc	5kw	Day	12-8	12-1-60
	License to cover c.p. (BMP-7252 as mod..) which authorized change in frequency, increase in power and change in type transmitter. (specify type transmitter as GATES EC-3P).					
BAEL-167 EFF:	12-29-58 12-31-58	Voluntary assignment of license and construction permit to WKLM, INC.				
BAL-3702 EFF:	12-3-59 1-1-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Arlington-Fairfax Broadcasting Company, Inc				
	11-30-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.				
BR-3424	3-15-61	980kc	5kw	Day	3-15	12-1-63
BS-3424 (1)	3-30-62	Mod. of license to change the geographical coordinates.				
BR-3424	11-27-63	980kc	5kw	Day	12-1	12-1-66
BS-3424 (1)	4-21-64	Mod. of Lic. to chg. studio loc. & delete RC oper. of trans. from old studio loc.				

Form BC 126
June 1954
CARD #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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WILMINGTON,

Station location NORTH CAROLINA

Name of licensee ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Transmitter location

ZIP - 28401
Main studio location 118 Princess St., Wilmington, N. C. (BS 4-21-64)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BRC-2458 (2)	5-1-64	Mod. of license to change studio location to 118 Princess Street, Wilmington, N. C., and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.			
BR-3424	11-30-66	980kc	5kw	Day	12-1 12-1-69
BTC-5195 Eff: 1-2-67	11-30-66	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Harold H. Thoms, Meredith S. Thoms and Matilann Thoms Gannett to THE THOMS BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.			
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BR-3424 (S)	11-26-69	Renewal of License (NDEA)			12-1-72
BP-18,732	3-20-70	980kc	1kw	Day	11-20-70
	CP to install new Raytheon, RA-1000 for aux. use on 1kw Day, and operate by remote control.				
BL-12,793(L)	11-30-70	Lic. (BP-18,732) for Aux. Transmitter.			12-1-72
BR-3424(S)	1-29-73	Renewal			12-1-75
BR-3424(L)	Supersedes to Delete Marking				
BZ-8869(1)	7-21-75	Direct Measurement			
BR-3424(L)	12-27-76	Renewal of License			12-1-78
BTC-8350	6/15/77	Vol acq of pos con EFF: NOT CONSUMMATED Ltr 8/5/77			
BTC781011EF	10-26-78	VOL. TC			EFF:
BR-780726UJ (L)	3-27-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-81
BAL791126EI	12-19-79	VOL. AL			EFF: 12-28-79
BP-791031AA (L)	2-2-81	980khz	5kw	5kw Unl.	2-2-82
	CP to mke chgs station loc., hrs of oper., TL & mke chgs. in ant. system.				

FORMERLY FORM A-170

HAROLD H. THOMS, MEREDITH S. THOMS AND MATILANN S. THOMS

Call

New

Letters

Name

d/b as EAST COAST RADIO CO.

PO 100 College St., Asheville, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-10,304 Rec'd Filed	1-9-56 1-10-56 1-10-56	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 980kc 790kc Power: 1kw 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: Vanassa Rd. approx .6 mi. SW intersection with Route US 74-76 Wilmington, North Carolina Studio Location: Same Cottone & Scheiner, Attys. William E. Bennis, Jr., Engr.	GRANTED	5-29-56
Amended Rec'd & Filed	1-12-56 1-17-56	Change type transmitter (Gates BC-1F)		
AMENDED Rec'd & Filed	5-1-56 5-1-56	CHANGE freq. to 790kc; change power to 500w and change type transmitter (GATES BC-1J).		
PROTEST OF WTAR RADIO CORP. FILED 6-27-56 by Campbell Arnoux, Pres. WTAR & Lovett MOTION TO DISMISS TEST FILED 7-9-56 by William E. Bennis, Jr. William E. Bennis, Jr. PROTEST OF WTAR, DENIED 7-18-56 MEMO OPINION & ORDER ISSUED 1-7-56				

GATES BC-1J

~~-GATES BC-1F~~

~~-GATES BC-J-~~

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call W K L M

Harold H. Thoms, Meredith S. Thoms and Matilann S. Thoms

Letters ~~x~~UnassignedName d/b as EAST COAST RADIO CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7252	6-5-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,304 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change frequency from 790kc to 980kc; incr. power from 500w to 5kw and change type trans. (GATES BC 5E) AMENDED to agree with BMP-7357 & BRC-1054. Atty. - Benedict P. Cottone Engr. - William E. Benns, Jr.	GRANTED (Issued as a CP) Granted after hearing. DOCKET #11906 Initial Decision issued	6-17-57
Rec'd	6-6-56			
Filed	6-6-56			
AMENDMENT	3-7-57			
Rec'd	3-8-57			
Filed	3-15-57			
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BMP-7357	9-1-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,304 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change antenna-transmitter and studio location from Vanassa Road, approx. 0.6 mile SW of inters. with Route US 74-76, Wilmington, North Carolina to Vanassa Road, approx 0.7 mile SW of inters. with Route US 74-76, Wilmington North Carolina. Atty. - Benedict P. Cottone Engr. - WILLIAM E. Benns, Jr.	GRANTED	9-27-56
Rec'd	9-5-56			
Filed	9-5-56			

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Aug. 1955

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Letters N.K.L.M.Name HAROLD H. THOMS, MEREDITH S. THOMS, AND MATILANN S. THOMS
d/b as EAST COAST RADIO CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7418 Rec'd Filed	10-19-56 10-22-56 10-22-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,304, ^{as mod.} which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000). Norman E. Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED Subj. to sub. of measure- ments proving compliance of proposed transmitter with Sec. 3.48 & 3.52 of Rules for 500 watts operation.	11-5-56
BRC-1054 Rec'd Filed	11-27-56 11-28-56 11-28-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,304) to operate transmitter by remote control from 120 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina. Arthur Scheiner, Atty.	GRANTED	11-30-56

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W.K.L.M.

Name, HAROLD H. THOMS, MEREDITH S. THOMS AND MATILMANN S. THOMS...
D/B AS EAST COAST RADIO CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-6452 Rec'd Filed	12-6-56 12-6-56 12-6-56	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-10,304 as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. Atty's: Cottone & Scheiner.	GRANTED	3-34-57
BR-3424 Rec'd Filed	10-15-57 10-18-57 10-18-57	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-20-57
BMP-8020 Rec'd&Filed	1-6-58 1-10-58	Modification of construction permit (BMP-7252 which authorized change frequency from 790kc to 980kc, increase power from 500w to 5kw and change type transmitter to (GATES BC-5E) for extension of completion date from 2-17-58 to 8-17-58. Atty's: Cottone & Scheiner.	GRANTED	1-31-58

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Letters W.K.L.M.

Name HAROLD H. THOMS, MEREDITH S. THOMS AND MATILANN S. THOMS

D/B AS EAST COAST RADIO CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-8197 Rec'd Filed	7-18-58 7-22-58 7-22-58	Modification of construction permit (BMP-7252 as mod., which authorized change frequency, increase power and install new type transmitter.) for extension of completion date from 8-17-58 to 12-17-58. Atty's: Cottone & Scheiner	GRANTED	8-1-58
BL-7251 Rec'd Filed	10-4-58 10-6-58 10-6-58	License to cover c.p. (BMP-7252 as mod) which authorized change in frequency, increase in power and change in type transmitter.(specify type trans.GATES B0-5P)	GRANTED	12-8-58

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Letters W.K.L.M.Name HAROLD H. THOMS, MEREDITH S. THOMS, AND MATILANN S. THOMS
d/b as EAST COAST RADIO CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAPL-167 Rec'd. Filed	11-14-58	Voluntary assignment of license and construction permit to WKLM, Inc. Arthur Scheiner, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-29-58
	11-17-58			12-31-58
	11-17-58			
BAL-3702 Rec'd. Filed	11-10-59	Voluntary assignment of license to ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. Krieger & Jorgensen, Attys.	GRANTED EFF:	12-3-59
	11-16-59			1-1-60
	11-16-59			
BR-3424 Rec'd Filed	8-17-60	Renewal of license Atty: Nerman E. Jorgensen	GRANTED	3-15-61
	8-30-60			
	8-30-60			
BR-3424 R. & F.	8-26-63	Renewal of license. Atty- Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTED	11-27-63
	8-28-63			

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Name ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Wilmington, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-2458 Rec'd Filed	4-25-64 4-28-64 4-28-64	Modification of license to change studio location to 118 Princess Street, Wilmington, North Carolina and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location. Norman E. Jorgensen, Atty.	GRANTED	5-1-64
BR-3424 R & F	8-22-66 8-26-66	Renewal of license Atty- Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTED	11-18-66
BTC-5195 R & F (Form 316)	10-24-66 10-26-66	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Harold H. Thoms, Meredith S. Thoms, and Matilann Thoms Gennett to The Thoms Broadcasting Companies, Inc. Atty - N. Jorgensen	GRANTED Eff:	11-30-66 1-2-67

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Letters W K L MName ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3424 R & F #538559 \$75 PN PRESS	8-26-69 8-27-69 8-27-69 8-27-69 SEP 23 1969	Renewal of License AMENDED 10-30-69 re: Financial & Programming data Atty: Norman E. Jorgensen (Krieger & Jorgensen)	Granted	11-26-69
BP-18,732 R & F #584168 \$30 MA 10 1970	3-6-70 3-10-70 3-10-70	CP to install new Raytheon, RA1000 for auxiliary use on lkw Day, and operate by remote control from main studio location. Atty: Norman E. Jorgensen (Krieger & Jorgensen)	GRANTED	3-20-70
BL-12,793 R & F #636587 \$50. AC-067 PTA PRESS NOV 20 1970	10-8-70 10-14-70 10-14-70 10-23-70	Lic. (BP-18,732) for Auxiliary Transmitter. (RC) Atty: Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTED	11-30-70

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WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3424 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	8-7-72 8-30-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) N.E.Jorgensen, Atty. AMENDED 11-28-72 re: ascertainment of comm. needs; commercial policy AMENDED 1-8-73 re: equal employment program	Granted	1-29-73
	SEP 15 1972			
BZ-8869 R & F DM PRESS	5-19-75 5-28-75 6-5-75	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	7-21-75
	JUN 24 1975			
BR-3424 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-28-75 8-1-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.) N.E.Jorgensen, Atty. AMENDED 9-8-75 re: ascertainment of comm. needs AMENDED 11-24-75 re: engineering AMENDED 12-27-76 re: commercial matter	Granted	12-27-76
	SEP 11 1975			

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Letters W K L MName ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-8350 R & F FORM 316 ALSO SEE WEAM(AM), WCOG & WANC-TV JUN 6 1977	5/17/77 5/24/77	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of The Thoms Broadcasting Companies, Inc. (parent corp of licensee) by Meredith S. Thoms thru transfer of stock from the Estate of Harold H. Thoms (deceased) Atty - Norman Jorgensen	GRANTED EFF: NOT Ltr 8/5/77	6/15/77 CONSUMMATED
BR780726UJ PRESS	SEP 15 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) Atty. John G. Johnson (Jorgensen, Johnson & Northrop)	GRANTED	3-27-79 Cond'ls

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Letters W K L MName ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Wilmington, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC781011EF Form 316 (Also see WEAM and WCOG) rec'd FILED (amend filed re date of application) PRESS: OCT 19 1978	10-5-78 10-11-78 10-25-78	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of The Thoms Broadcasting Companies, Inc. (parent corp of licensee) by Meredith S. Thoms thru transfer of stock from the Estate of Harold H. Thoms (deceased) Atty - Norman Jorgensen (Jorgensen, Johnson, etc)	GRANTED EFF:	10-26-78

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THE THOMS BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC.

Name x ARLINGTON-FAIRFAX BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.x Wilmington, North Carolina Leland, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-791031AA (C) ACCEPTED CUT OFF DATE	12-28-80 1-5-81	CP chg station loc to Leland, North Carolina; chg hours of operation to Unlimited by adding nighttime service with 5KW DA-N; chg TL: Hwy 1435, 10.1 mi North of Sturgeon Creek Bridge, Navassa, North Carolina; and make chgs in ant sys 34 14 52 78 00 06 MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 ATTY: John Johnson, Jr. (OVER)	GRANTED Con'd	2-2-81
BAL791126EI Form 316 PRESS	11-20-79 DEC 5 1979	Vol. AL to THE THOMS BROADCASTING COMPANIES, INC. (over) Atty - John Johnson, Jr. (Jorgensen, Johnson, etc.)	GRANTED EFF:	12-19-79 12-28-80

BAL791126EI Note: Arts. of Inc. and By-laws of The Thoms
Broadcasting Companies, Inc. on file with WCOG-AM

BP-791031AA AMENDED 11-15-79 Financial (balance sheet)
AMENDED RE: Section V-A Engineering correction
11-21-79 Public Notice

8-27-80 AMENDED 1-10-80 RE: Financial data
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED BY JOHN G.
JOHNSON, JR. ON BEHALF OF THE THOMS BROADCASTING
COMPANIES, INC.,

AMENDED 5-27-81 RE: Additional Engineering

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.

