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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W L I J (10-28-59)

Date first licensed 5-18-60

Call letters XW H J A

Station location Shelbyville, Tenn.

ARTHUR WILKERSON, (AL 10-21-59, EFF: 10-24-59)

Name of licensee X JUANITA H. CUNNINGHAM tr/as BEDFORD COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.

Transmitter location Woodland Dr., 1.9 mi. south of courthouse, Shelbyville, Tenn. (BP-5-13-59)

Suite 401, Gunter Bldg., on the square, downtown Shelbyville, Tenn. (BRC 2-29-68)

X Woodland Dr., 1.9 mi. S. of courthouse, Shelbyville, Tenn. (BL-5-13-60)

Main studio location X To be determined, Shelbyville, Tennessee (BP-5-13-59)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-12005	5-13-59	1580	1kw	Day	7-13 1-13-60
	CP for a new standard broadcast station.				
RAP-456	10-21-59	Voluntary assignment of construction			
EFF:	10-24-59	permit to Arthur Wilkerson			
BL-7741	5-18-60	1580kc	1kw	Day	5-18 8-1-61
	Lic. to cover cp (BP-12,005 which auth. a new Standard b/c station) and specify trans. as GATES BC-1F, and delete remote control request.				
BR-3846	7-20-61	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-64
BZ-4597 (1)	3-12-62	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BR-3846	7-10-64	1580kc	1kw	Day	8-1 8-1-67
BR-3846	7-18-67	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-70
BRC-3220 (1)	2-29-68	Mod. of license to change studio loc. to Suite 401, Gunter Bldg., on the square, downtown Shelbyville, Tenn.			
BR-3846(L)	7-30-70	Renewal			8-1-73
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-3846(S)	8-31-73	RENEWAL			8-1-76
BP-19,873	2-18-75	1580khz.	250w	Day Aux.	2-18-76
	CP to install a new aux. trans.				
BL-13,929(L)	5-21-75	Lic. to cover BP-19,873 for NEW AUX. transmitter Gates, BCA-250			8-1-76
BR-3846(S)	7-23-76	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			8-1-79
BR790402K3	7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			8-1-82

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters NEW, W H J AName JUANITA H. CUNNINGHAM tr/as BEDFORD COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.
(P.O. - Box 18, Pleasant Hill, Tenn)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,005 Rec'd Filed	5-8-58 5-12-58 5-12-58	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1580kc Power - 1kw Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - Woodland Dr., 1.9 mi south of courthouse, Shelbyville, Tennessee Studio location - To be determined. Shelbyville, Tennessee Remote Control Point - Same as studio(6-18-58) (Contingent on grant of BP-11382) WSP change frequency. Atty. - Frank M. Farris, Jr., Nashville, Tenn. Engr. - W.J. Holey, Atlanta, Ga. AMENDED to make changes in the ground system and delete contingent clause.	GRANTED	5-13-59
AMENDMENT R & F	6-17-58 6-18-58			

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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ARTHUR WILKERSON

Call W L I J (10-28-59)

Letters ~~W~~ H J AName ~~X~~ JUANITA H. CUNNINGHAM, tr/as BEDFORD COUNTY BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAP-456	9-15-59	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Arthur Wilkerson. D.F. Prince, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	10-21-59
Rec'd.	9-17-59			10-24-59
Filed	9-17-59			
BL-7741	11-27-59	Lic. to cover cp(BP-12005 which authorized new standard b/c station) and specify studio loc. as Woodland Dr., Shelbyville, Tenn, delete remote control request, and specify transmitter as Gates BC-1F. D.F. Prince, atty	GRANTED	5-18-60
R&F	11-30-59			
BR-3846	4-19-61	Renewal of License. D. F. Prince & Ray R. Paul, Attys.	GRANTED	7-20-61
Rec'd	5-2-61			
Filed	5-2-61			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W E I JName ARTHUR WILKERSON
Shelbyville, Tenn.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-4997 R. & F.	11-20-61 11-22-61	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty-D.F.Prince	GRANTED	3-12-62
BR-3846 R & F	4-30-64 5-11-64	Renewal of license. Atty: Prince & Paul	GRANTED	7-10-64
BR-3846 R & F	4-26-67 5-1-67	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-18-67
BRC-3220 R & F MAR 1 1968	2-22-68 2-23-68	Modification of license to change studio location to Suite 401, Gunter Bldg., On the Square, downtown Shelbyville, Tennessee and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location. Atty.: Eugene T. Smith	GRANTED	2-29-68

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W L I JName ARTHUR WILKERSON
SHELBYVILLE, TENN.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3846 R & F \$75 #598575 PN Recd. PRESS	4-30-70 5-4-70 " " MAY 19 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Gates BC-1G)	GRANTED	7-30-70
BR-3846 R & F P.N. PRESS JUN 5 1973	4-28-73 5-2-73 5-2-73	Renewal of License AMENDED 8-13-73 re: community survey	GRANTED	8-31-73
BP-19,873 R & F \$50-384578 AC-056 JAN 2 1975	1-16-75 1-21-75 1-21-75	Construction permit to install a new Auxiliary transmitter GATES BCA-250	GRANTED	2-18-75

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1580khz

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September 1969
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Name ARTHUR WILKERSON
Shelbyville, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-13,929 R & F \$50#399109 PTA PRESS APR 18 1975	3-3-75 3-6-75 3-10-75 4-4-75	Lic. to cover BP-19,873 for New Auxiliary Transmitter, Gates BCA-250	GRANTED	5-21-75
BR-3846 R & F PN Recd. PRESS APR 16 1976	3-30-76 4-5-76 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.)	GRANTED	7-23-76
BR 790402 K3 PRESS MAY 18 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.)	GRANTED	7-18-79

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.

