

REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

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Date first licensed 12-28-49

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FIRST NATCHEZ CORPORATION (BML 9-15-72) Location: Natchez, Mississippi xOLD SOUTH BROADCASTING CO., INC. (AL 10-13-50 Eff: 11-1-50)

* H. J. JENNINGS, CHARLES D. PATCLIFFE, LAUFIE G. BATCLIFFE, ZDVA R. LAUBERT, AND EDVARD G. LAUBERT, A/b as OLD SOUTH ERCADOASTING COLDARY (AL 5-11-50)

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XM. T. SEALE AND H. J. JENNINGS, d/b as OLD SOUTH BROADCASTING COMPANY

(BP 1-13-67)

St. Catherine St. and Old Washington Rd. Intersection, Natchez, Miss.

-Eheilds Lane, Natchez, Mississippi (MP 9-26-49) (Lic. 12-28-49)

Same as transmitter

Main studio location X Sheilds Lane, Natchez, Massissippi (MP 9-26-49) (Lic. 12-28-49)

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed	Call letters WNAT Station location Natchez, Mississippi
	Station location Masches, Mississippi
Name of licensee See Card #1	
Transmitter location	
Main studio location	

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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M. T. SEALE and H. J. JENNINGS, d/b as

(PO 115 Arlington Street, Natchez, Mississippi)

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BP-6989 Rec'd Filed	10-13-48 11-1-48 11-1-48	Construction Permit for a new standard broad- cast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1450kc Power: 250w Hours of operation: Unlimited Trans. location: To be determined- Natchez, Mississippi Studio location: To be determined- Natchez, Mississippi	subj. f	

Transmitter - G.E. BT-20-A

Ross K. Prescott, Atty. 1517 Commerce Street Dallas, Texas

Guy C. Hutcheson, Engr. Arlington, Texas

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMP-4687 Rec'd Filed	7-5-49 7-7-49 7-7-49	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6989 which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio locations as Sheilds Lane, Natchez, Mississip	GRANTED	9-26-49
		Ross K. Prescott, Atty.; Dallas, Texas Guy C. Hutcheson, Engr.; Arlington, Texas		
AMENDED Recd. Filed	9-7-49 9-8-49 9-8-49	AMENDED to change transmitter location (geog. coords. only)		

FCC Form 94 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

x OLD SOUTH B CADCASTING CO., INC. (BAL 10-13-50 Eff: Call

Name M. T. SEALE AND H. J. JENNINGS, d/b as

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BL-3901 Rec'd Filed	11-28-49 11-29-49 11-29-49	License to cover C.P. (BP-6989, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRA NTEI	12-28-49
BAL-1024 Rec'd Filed	5-8-50 5-10-50 5-10-50	Voluntary assignment of license from M. T. Seale and H. J. Jennings, d/b as Old South Broadcasting Company to H. J. Jennings, Charles E. Ratcliffe, Laurie G. Ratcliffe, Edna R. Lambert and Edward G. Lambert, d/b as Old South Broadcasting Company.		ED 5-71-50 6-15-50
RAL-1085 Rec'd Filed	9-14-50 9-18-50 9-18-50	Voluntary assignment of license from H. J. Jennings, Charles E. Ratcliffe, Laurie G. Ratcliffe, Edna R. Lambert and Edward G. Lambert d/b as Old South Broadcasting Company to Old South Broadcasting Co., Inc.	GRANTED Eff:11-1-	10 - 13-50 - 50

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

X M. T. SEALE AND H. J. JENNINGS, d/b as OLD SOUTH X BROADCASTING COMPANY Call Letters WNA

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OLD SOUTH BROADCASTING CO., INC. (AL-10-13-50; EFF: 11-1-50)

File No. BR-2387 Rec'd	Dated 12-2-50 12-5-50	Application for Renewal of license		<u>tion</u> Date 5-23-51
BR-2387 Rec'd Filed	10-31-53 11-3-53 11-3-53	Renewal of License	Granted	1-27-54
BZ-3587 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	4-8-54 4-14-54 5-27-54 6-2-54 6-2-54	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power		Signed by Gen. Hgr 6-28-54
HR-2387 Recd Resubmitted Recd&Filed	3-2-55 3-3-55 5-3-55 5-11-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED	eturned; Ltr -22-55 fte: ec. I p.2, sign; gc. I p.3 gc. Iv 1 2 bij Sec. Iv 25-55

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APPLICATION KECORD - BROADCASTING

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NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BZ-3803 Rec'd Filed	8-23-56 8-24-56 8-24-56	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power	GRANTED	10-4-56
		Guy C. Hutcheson, Engr.		
BR -2387 Rec 'd	3-1-58 3-5-68	Renewal of License	GRANTED	5-14-58
BTC-2884 Rec'd Filed	8-21-58 8-27-58 8-27-58	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee Corporation from Mrs. Laurie G. Batcliffe, Charles Everette Ratcliffe and Mrs. Edna R. Lambert to W. S. Perkins.	GRANTED EFF:	10-22-58 11-18-58
BP-13,973 Rec'd Resub R & F	1-19-60 2-3-60 3-3-60 3-8-60	Construction Permit to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw and install a new trans. (Gates BC-1T)	GRANTED Cond'l res Shall submi	Permittee t with the lic. antenna
		F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.	re: Class I	

FORM BC-121 Aug. 1955

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NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
BR-2387 e'd&Filed	3-3-61 3-6-61	Renewal of License		12-12-62 Example xxx ed short term
BL-10,098 R. & F.	5-2-63 5-3-63	Lic to cover CP(BP-13,973) which auth incr day power and install new trans; specify type trans. as Bauer 707.	GRANTED	9-27-63 Cond'1
BR-2387 Rec'd Filed	2-27-64 3-2-64 3-2-64	Renewal of license Atty. Norman E. Jorgensen	irantéd -	7-22-64
BP-17,525 R & F	11-30-66 12-5-66	CP to chg ant-trans. & studio loc to Approx 2 225' N of St. Catherine St. and Old Washing of ton Road Intersection, make chgs in ant. systems. Norman E. Jorgensen En r. Silliman, Moffett & Kowalski	RANTED cond'l research operation of the condition of the	1-13-67 Before prog. tion. ass IV station
BR-2387 R & F	2-27-67 3-3-67	Atty: Norman E. Jorgensen		5-22-47 w Class IV

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NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BP-17,766	6-9-67	CP to install aux. trans (G.E. BT-20-A) at approx. 225' N of St. Catherine St. and Old	GRANTED	6-27-67
R & F	6-13-67	Washington Rd. Inter., Natchez, Miss. to be operated on 1450kc, 250w for Aux. purposes only. Atty. Krieger & Jorgensen Engr. Robert E. Ritch		
BMP-12,139	8-11-67	Mod. of CP(BF-17,525 which auth chg. ant-tran		9 20 67
R & F AUG	1301	& studio loc., make chgs in ant. sys(increase eight) for extension of completion date from 9-13-67 to 11-30-67 Atty. Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTE to	8-29-67 11-30-67
BMP-12,230 R.&F.	11-18-67 11-20-67	Mod. of CP(BP-17,525 as mod. which auth.chg. ant-trans & studio loc., make chgs in ant.sys	GRANTED inc	1-8-68
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	AT	YS: Krieger & <u>Jorgens</u> en		
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File No. MP-12,275 P. & F.	1-6-68 1-9-68	Mod. of CP (RP-17,525, as mod., which auth. change ant-trans & studio loc, make changes in ant system) for ext of completion date	GRANTED to	2-14-68 4-1-68
FEB 2 196	3 2-16-68	from 2-10-68 to 3-1-68. atty-Krieger & Jorgensen Mod. of C.P.(BP-17,766,which auth.install	CRANTED	<u>3</u> -13-68
NAR 7 1988	2-19-68	auxiliary transmitter) for extension of completion date from 2-27-68 to 4-1-68. Atty: Krieger & Jorgensen (N. Jorgensen)	to	5-1-68
BMP-12,356 R & F #417051 \$3 Press AP	3-27-68 3-27-68		RANTED	4-16-68 6-1-68

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Name Old South Broadcasting Co., Inc.
Natchez, Mississippi

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ı	PMP-12,394 R. & F. #424514 \$30 MAY 8	4-25-68 4-29-68 4-29-68 1968	MP (BP-17,766, as mod) for ext. of completion date from 5-1-68 to 6-1-68. (Aux.) atty-Krieger & Jorgensen	GRANTED to	5-16-68 7-1-68
-	R & F #4,32523 \$30 PTA	5/28/68 5/29/68 5/29/68 6/7/68	License (BP-17,525)/for changes. (Main) Atty: Norman E. Jorgensen Engr: Robt. E. Ritch	GRANTED	7-17-68
	BL-12,016 R & F	5/9/68 5/10/68 5/10/68 6/7/68	License (BP-17,766 as mod.) install aux. trans. Atty: Norman E. Jorgensen Engr: Robt. E. Ritch, D.C.	RANTED	7-17-68
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FIRST NATCHEZ CORPORATION

Natchez, Mississippi Name

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Nature	ion Date
BR-2387 R & F #582026 \$75. (2-26-70 3-3-70 \$240. submit	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) ted) Atty.: Robert A. Woods	GRANTED	10-19-70
" \$30. (P.N.	Aux.) 3-3-70 APR 7 1970	AMENDED 4-17-70 re: Program affilitation AMENDED 5-13-70 re: Programming COUNSEL TO: LOUIS SCHWARTZ (SCHWARTZ & WOODS)		
BML-2424 R&F \$50-102926 AC-060	8-18-72 8-23-72 8-23-72	Modification of license to change the corporate name to FIRST NATCHEZ CORPORATION.	GRANTED	9-15-72
PRESS: AUG	2 3 372 1-25-76 2-2-16	Atty. Robert A. Woods		
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BR-2387 R & F	2-26-73 3- 5- 73	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary)	1.	
P.N. PRESS	3-5-73	Atty.: Robert A. Woods AMENDED 5-22-73 re: ascert. of comm. needs; commercial policy; programming	GRANTED	5-31-72
BR-2387	1-26-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	10-21-76
R & F PN Recd. PRESS	2-2-76 MAR 3 1 197	Robert A.Woods, Atty. (See WRBC for petitions)		
		OPINION & ORDER, adopted 10-21-76, Informal obj State Branch of the NAACP, DENIED. AMENDED 9-7-76 re: EEO	jection fil	led by the
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Nature	Date
R. DATED dec'd: Filed: RESS: DEC	9-29-77 9-29-77 10-26-77	Filed by Lawrence M. Miller, Esq., for First Natchez Corporation, for Dual City Identification as: NATCHEZ-VIDALIA, MISSISSIP		ED 7-25-78 equest of Applic erney)
	1 4 1977	Atty - Lawrence M. Miller		
BR790201VV PRESS:	AR 1 3 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main & Aux. Trans.)	905%	5 10 70
"	HR 13 13/3		GRANTED	5-18-79
		Atty: Lawerence M. Miller		
Z-9826 R & F	11-23-77	DIRECT MEASUREMENT	GRANTED	3-17-80
RESSMAR &	1980	Atty: Lawrence M. Miller		

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.

