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REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

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Patent No. 1390199

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-7-56

Call letters WNU E (7-4-60, Ltr. 6-10-60)
X W F B S
Station Location; Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

Name of licensee SMITH RADIO, INC., (AL 5-18-60; EFF: 6-17-60)
X H. FRENCH BROWN, SR., tr/as WEST FLORIDA BROADCASTING SERVICE

Transmitter location Wright Avenue, Near Int. Mary Esther Rd., Fort Walton Beach, Florida (redescribed BL8-8-63)
X Wright Avenue, Fort Walton Beach, Florida (Ltr. 3-10-60) (redescription)
Near intersection of Old Wright Road and Mary Esther Road, Ft. Walton Beach, Florida (CP 2-29-56) (Lic. 9-7-56)

Main studio location Wright Avenue, Near Int. Mary Esther Rd., Fort Walton Beach, Florida (redescribed BL8-8-63)
X Wright Avenue, Fort Walton Beach, Florida (Ltr. 3-10-60)
X 150 Main Street, Ft. Walton Beach, Florida (Telegram 5-7-59 EFF: 5-7-59)
X Miramar Hotel, Main Street, Fort Walton Beach, Florida (MP 3-27-56) (Lic. 9-7-56)
X Florida Avenue and Perry Boulevard, Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, (CP 2-29-56)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-10121	2-29-56	950kc	500w	Day	2-29-56 10-29-56
	CP for new standard broadcast station				
BMP-7154 (1)	3-27-56	Mod. of CP(10121) to change type trans. and change studio & RC locations			
BL-6232	9-7-56	950kc	500w	Day	9-7-56 2-1-58
	Lic. to cover CP(BP-10,121, as mod.) for a new standard broadcast station.				
BP-10690	12-12-56	950kc	1kw	Day	2-12-57 8-12-57
	CP to increase power and install new transmitter				
BL-6527 (1)	2-18-57	Lic. to cover CP(BP-10,690) to increase power and install new transmitter.			
BR-3310	1-17-58	950kc	1kw	Day	2-1 2-1-61
BR-3310	1-17-58	950kc	1kw	Day	2-1 2-1-61
	Superseding auth. to correct sign-off time for month of Jan.				
BRC-1694 (1)	4-14-60	Modification of license to change Remote Control Point from Miramar Hotel, Main Street, Fort Walton Beach Florida TO Wright Avenue Fort Walton Beach, Florida			
BAL-3069 REF:	5-18-60 6-17-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Smith Radio, Inc.			
	1-25-61	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-3310	4-19-62	950kc.	1kw	Day	4-19 2-1-64
BP-14906	1-29-63	1400kc	250w,1kw	LS U	3-29 9-29-63
	CP to change freq., change hours of operation to Unlimited using power of 250w,1kwLS (Cond'1).				
BZ-1036 (1)	3-6-63	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BL-10.057	8-8-63	1400kc	250w-1kw	LS Un	8-8- 2-1-64
	Lic. to cover CP(BP-14,906)which auth. chg. (Cond'1 freq.; chg. hrs. of oper. ; delete remote control.				
BR-3310	1-24-64	Renewal of license			2-1 2-1-67
BR-3310	3-9-67	REN. OF LIC.			3-9-67 2-1-70
		" " NDEA			

Form BC 126
June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

CARD # 2

Date first licensed

Call letters W N U E

Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BR-3310 (S)	3-6-70	RENEAL & NDEA		2-1-70	2-1-73
BZ-7842(1)	8-25-71	Direct	Measurement		
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-3310(L)	1-3-74	RENEWAL			2-1-76
BR-3310(S)	1-28-76	Renewal			2-1-79
BR 780929 VP	1-31-79	(S) REN. OF LIC.			2-1-82
BTC801230FY	2-27-81	VOL TC		EFF:	

FORM BC-121
FORMERLY FORM A-170

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters _____
W F B S
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Name H. FRENCH BROWN, SR. tr/as WEST FLORIDA BROADCASTING SERVICE
PO box 488, Fort Walton Beach, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-10,121 Rec'd Filed	9-28-55 9-29-55 9-29-55	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 950kc Power: 1kw 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: Nr. intersection of old Wright Rd., & Mary Esther Rd., Fort Walton Beach, Florida Studio Location: S. Florida Ave. & Perry Blvd. Fort Walton Beach, Fla. Remote Control Point: Same as studio William E. Bennis, Jr., Engr.	GRANTED	2-29-56
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	2-6-56 2-7-56 2-7-56	AMENDED to reduce power to 500w.		

GATES BC-1J

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Letters W.F.B.S.Name H. FRENCH BROWN, SR. tr/as WEST FLORIDA BROADCASTING SERVICE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7154 Rec'd Filed	3-16-56 3-19-56 3-19-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,121 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (GATES BC 500K); change studio location and remote control point from S. Florida Ave. & Perry Blvd. Fort Walton Beach, Florida to Miramar Hotel, Main Street, Fort Walton Beach, Florida.	GRANTED	3-27-56
BL-6232 Rec'd Filed	6-25-56 6-26-56 6-26-56	License to cover Construction Permit BP-10,121 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	9-7-56

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

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Letters W.F.B.S.Name H. FRENCH BROWN, SR. tr/as WEST FLORIDA BROADCASTING SERVICE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-10,690 Rec'd Filed	7-7-56 7-10-56 7-10-56	Construction permit to increase power from 500w <u>to</u> 1kw and install new transmitter (Gates BC 1J) Engr. - William E. Benns, Jr.	GRANTED	12-12-56
BL-6527 Rec'd Filed	2-7-57 2-8-57 2-8-57	License to cover Construction Permit BP-10,690 which authorized increase in power and installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	2-18-57
BR-3310 Rec'd	11-2-57 11-4-57	Renewal of License	GRANTED	1-17-58
BRC-1654 Rec'd Filed	4-8-60 4-11-60 4-11-60	Modification of license to change Remote Control Point from Miramar Hotel, Main Street, Fort Walton Beach, Florida TO Wright Avenue, Fort Walton Beach, Florida	GRANTED	4-14-60

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Letters WFBName H. FRENCH BROWN, SR., tr/as WEST FLORIDA BROADCASTING SERVICE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-3869 Rec'd Filed	4-8-60 4-18-60 4-18-60	Voluntary assignment of license to Smith Radio, Inc. George O. Sutton, Atty. for Assignee	GRANTED EFF:	5-18-60 6-17-60
BR-9310 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd & Filed	10-31-60 11-3-60 12-15-60 12-22-60	Renewal of license	RETURNED Notary Public an interested party. GRANTED	12-9-60 4-19-62
BP-14,906 Rec'd Filed	6-7-61 6-9-61 6-9-61	Construction permit to change frequency from 950kc <u>to</u> 1400kc; change hours of operation from daytime <u>to</u> Unlimited using power of 250w, lkwLS. Atty: G.O. Sutton	GRANTED Cond'l re: Permittee shall submit with the applic. for lic., antenna resistance measurements. re: Class IV stations.	1-29-63

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Letters W N U FName SMITH RADIO, INC.
Fort Walton Beach, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-4836 R. & F.	10-17-62 10-22-62	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	3-6-63
BL--10,057 Rec'd Resub R.&F.	3-9-63 3-25-63 3-9-63 4-2-63	Lic to cover CP(BP-14,906) which auth chg freq; chg hours of oper using a power of 250w,1kw-LS U. and delete Remote Control.	Returned - 3-28-63 No Section 1-- GRANTED	8-8-63 Cond'l re: interference
BR-3310 Rec'd Filed	10-29-63 11-1-63 11-1-63	Renewal of license	GRANTED	1-24-64
BR-3310 R & F	10-20-66 10-25-66	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-9-67
BR-3310 R & F #552622 \$75 P. W	10-15-69 10-28-69 10-28-69 10-28-69 NOV 6 1969	Renewal of License AMENDED 11-10-69 re: Business interests & engineering data AMENDED 2-2-70 re: Programming DM-7-29-71	GRANTED	3-6-70

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1400 khz.

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Name SMITH RADIO, INC.
Fort Walton Beach, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-7842 R & F DM PRESS	7-23-71 7-26-71 7-29-71 AUG 23 1971	Direct Measurement.	GRANTED	8-25-71
BR-3310 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	10-27-72 11-3-72 " NOV 2 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Ronald A. Siegel, Atty. AMENDED 3-12-73 re: equal employ prog.	GRANTED	1-3-74
BR-3310 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	9-18-75 9-30-75 OCT 9 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Ronald A. Siegel, Atty.	GRANTED	1-28-76

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1400KHz.

Form BC-121

May 1976

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Letters W N U EName SMITH RADIO, INC.
FORT WALTON BEACH, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR780929VP PRESS DEC 4 1978		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Ronald A. Siegel (Cohn & Marks)	GRANTED	1-31-79
BTC801230FY Form 316 PRESS FEB 25 1981		Vol TC from Elizabeth Kirby J. Smith and Marcellus D. Smith, III to Elizabeth Kirby J. Smith and Marcellus D. Smith, Trustees of the individual Revocable Trust of Elizabeth Kirby J. Smith and Marcellus D. Smith III as dated Dec. 18, 1980	GRANTED EFF:	2-27-81

WNUE RECORD OF DENIALS OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

10-21-60 Retel 20. Comm. rules do not permit std.
b/c stations to operate beyond hours specified in
station license.

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.

