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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

3602

W T S K (EFF. 9-1-80)

XW T U G (10-12-58)

Date first licensed 4-8-58

Call letters XW R B S

Station location Tuscaloosa, Alabama

RADIO SOUTH, INC. (AL-7-7-77 EFF. 7-8-77)

X TRI-CITIES BROADCASTING CO. (Per Articles)

X TRI-CITIES BROADCASTING CO., INC. (AL-9-24-58 EFF: 10-1-58)

Name of licensee X FREDRIC M. ROSEMORE, STANLEY BESNER AND SAMUEL J. SIMON

d/b as BETTER RADIO STATIONS COMPANY

Transmitter location Foster Ferry Road, 0.2 mile west of city limits of Tuscaloosa, Alabama

(BL-4-8-58)

(CP 9-5-57)

ZIP 35403

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X 180 Skyland Boulevard East, Tuscaloosa, Alabama (BRC-11-22-72)

(BL-4-8-58)

Main studio location X Foster Ferry Road, 0.2 mile west of city limits of Tuscaloosa, Alabama

(CP 9-5-57)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-11098	9-5-57	790kc	500w	Day	11-5-57 5-5-58
CP for a new standard broadcast station					
BL-6991	4-8-58	790kc	500w	Day	4-8 4-1-61
License to cover CP(BP-11,098) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.					
M.L-3152	9-24-58	Voluntary assignment of license to			
EFF:	10-1-58	Tri-Cities Broadcasting Co., Inc.			
	3-29-61	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-3602	10-21-64	790kc.	500w	Day	10-21 4-1-67
BP-15,475	4-8-65	790kc	1kw.	Day	6-8 12-8-65
Construction permit to increase power from 500w to 1kw and install new transmitter (Gates BC-1J)					
Ltr.	10-28-65	Auth. to oper. with ant. current 5.97			
amps. for 500w non DA oper. from 4am to local sunrise, till final decision Docket 14419 or told to terminate. - - - - -					
BL-11,138	12-3-65	790kc	1kw	Day	12-3 4-1-67
Lic to cover CP(BP-15,475) which auth increase in power and install new trans.					
BR-3602	3-29-67	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-70
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BR-3602(S)	2-25-71	Renewal of License			2-25 4-1-73
EBSA	6-12-72				
BRC-3616(1)	11-22-72	M. to chg. SL & operate by remote control.			
BR-3602(L)	4-27-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
BR-3602(L)	5-10-76	RENEWAL			4-1-79
Ltr.	7-25-77	Gates BC-1J former/now used as auxiliary			
BAL-8979	7-7-77	Voluntary Assignment of license to Radio South, Inc. EFF, 7-8-77			
COMTEL	9-13-77	DELETE Obstruction marking & lighting.			
Correct	Longitude	Coordinates: 87 35' 23"			

Form BC 126

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

No. 2

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W.T.U.G......

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
BZ-9601(L)	2-28-78	Direct	Measurement		4-1-79
BZ-9601(L)	2-28-78	superseded to show no marking or lighting required and correct coordinates			4-1-79
BZ-9601 (L)	2-28-78	superseded to correct main studio & Remote control location, correct May sunset time.			
BP-21,249 (L) CP to incr. power to 2.5kW & make chgs. in ant. syst.	1-23-79	790KHz.	2.5kW Day		1-23-80
<del>BR78112IUC</del> (s)	<del>3-27-79</del>	<del>Renewal</del>			<del>4-1-82</del>
<del>BP-21249/TY</del>	<del>6-14-79</del>	<del>MP delete marking and 2 conditions</del>			
BL-790426AA (L)	10-29-79	<del>XXXXX</del> Lic. to cover BP-21249 for changes			4-1-82
EBSA	9-1-80	CALL SIGN CHANGE			

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name FREDRIC M. ROSEMORE, STANLEY BESNER and SAMUEL J. SIMON, Letters NEW-XWRBSName d/b as BETTER RADIO STATIONS COMPANY

(P.O. - c/o Samuel J. Simon, 6421 Currywood Dr., Nashville, Tennessee)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-11,098	1-7-57	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - <del>1370kc</del> 790kc Power - <del>1kw</del> 500w Hours of operation - Daytime Transmitter location - Fosters Ferry Rd., 0.2 mi W of city limits, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Studio location - Same as transmitter.  Engr. - W.J. Holey, Atlanta, Ga.	<del>RETURNED</del>	<del>2-6-57</del>
Rec'd	1-14-57		<del>Dated wrong</del>	
Resub.	2-16-57		GRANTED	9-5-57
R & F	2-18-57			
AMENDMENT	4-15-57	AMENDED to change frequency to 790kc, power to 500w; change type trans.(Gatas BC 500K); make changes in ant( <del>incr.-hght</del> ) & ground system.		
R & F	4-17-57			
AMENDMENT	7-29-57	AMENDED TO make changes in antenna(decr. hght) and ground system; change ant- <del>location</del> . location (no change in description)		
R & F	7-30-57			

GATES BC 11-500K

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Name **TRI-CITIES BROADCASTING CO., INC.** (per articles)  
**FREDERIC M. ROSEMCRE, STANLEY BESNER AND SAMUEL J. SIMON**  
 d/b as **BETTER RADIO STATIONS COMPANY**

TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-6991 Rec'd Filed	1-8-58 1-10-58 1-10-58	License to cover construction permit BP-11,098 which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	4-8-58
BAL-3152 Rec'd Filed	8-22-58 8-28-58 8-28-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Tri-Cities Broadcasting Company, Inc.  McKenna & Wilkinson, Attys.	GRANTED EFF:	9-24-58 10-1-58
BR-3602 Rec'd & Filed	12-30-60 1-3-61	Renewal of License Robert W. Coll, atty.	GRANTED	10-21-64
BP-15,475 Rec'd Filed	4-5-62 4-10-62 4-10-62	Construction Permit to increase power from 500w to 1kw and install new transmitter ( Gates BC-1KJ)  McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty. Odes E. Robinson, Biloxi, Miss.	GRANTED	4-8-65 Cond'l re: Pre-sunrise operation; Section 73. 54 antenna resistance; eliminate interference due to cross-modulation.



FORM BC-121 #3  
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Tuscaloosa, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,138 R & F	10/7/65 10/13/65	Lic. to cover CP (BP-15475) which auth. incr. in power and install new trans. Attys: McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED	12-3-65
BR-3602 R & F	12-30-66 1-3-67	Renewal of License Atty: Robert W. Coll (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	3-29-67
BR-3602 R & F #566081 \$75 P. N.	12-24-69 12-30-69 12-30-69 12-30-69	Renewal of License Atty: Robert W. Coll (McKenna & Wilkinson) AMENDED 2-11-71 re: commercial matter	GRANTED	2-25-71
BRC-3616 R & F \$50-125237 AC-067 NOV 29 1972	10-30-72 11-6-72 11-6-72	Modification of license to change studio loc. to 180 Skyland Boulevard East, Tuscaloosa, Alabama and operate by remote control.	GRANTED	11-22-72

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Tuscaloosa, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3602 R & F P.N. PRESS  JAN 25 1973	12-22-72 1-2-73 1-2-73	Renewal of License  Atty.: Jonathan Schochor AMENDED 2-9-73 re: programming AMENDED 3-29-73 re: business interests AMENDED 4-16-73 re: ascert. of comm. needs; commercial policy; employment policy	GRANTED	4-27-73
BR-3602 R & F PN PRESS  JAN 29 1976	11-27-75 12-1-75 12-1-75	Renewal of license Atty- Robert W. Coll 3-1-76 Request for extension of time in which to file PETITION TO DENY filed by the Civil Liberties Union of Alabama  AMENDED 3-24-76 re: ascert. of comm needs & prog. AMENDED 4-14-76 re: prog.	GRANTED	5-10-76

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RADIO SOUTH, INC  
 Name x TRI-CITIES BROADCASTING CO.  
TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-8979 R & F FORM 314 PN filed	3/31/77 4/5/77 APR 23 1977 5/13/77	Voluntary assignment of license to RADIO SOUTH, INC.  Atty for assignor - McKenna, Wilkinson, etc Atty for assignee - Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe (J. Quale)	GRANTED EFF.	7-7-77 7-8-77
BZ-9601 R & F DM PRESS	11-14-77 11-18-77 1-4-78 FEB 22 1978	Direct Measurement   Over	GRANTED	2-28-78
BP- 21,249 Rec PRESS FILED	6-2-78 6-16-78 JUL 11 1978 6-16-78 SEP 25 1978	CP increase power to 2.5kw and make changes in antenna system, chg. trans: McMARTIN BA-2.5K. Atty: John Quale	GRANTED	1-23-79

Note: re: BAL-8979 Sec. II information<sup>(assignee)</sup> on file with CP  
for new FM sta. Wrong File No. shown on appl (BPH-21004  
should be BPH-9563) called atty 4/7/77

AMENDED 6-21-77 re B/C int

AMENDED 6-30-77 - engr. data re coverage WDAL, WARF ETC

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Name RADIO SOUTH, INC.  
TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR781121UC PRESS: JAN 22 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: John C. Quale	GRANT D	3-27-79
BE-790426AA R & F PTA PRESS: JUL 25 1979	4-26-79 5-11-79	Lic. to cover BP-21249 for changes Atty: Barry D. Wood (Kirkland & Ellis)	<del>GRANTED</del> GRANTED	<del>10-29-79</del> 10-29-79

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

