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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-23-55

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Station Location: Tuscumbia, Alabama

ELTON H. DARBY (AL 2-8-56, EFF: 2-15-56)

Name of licensee xJESSE HENRY HAMMOND, tr/as POWER CENTER BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location 0.2 mi. S. junction, 2nd Ave. & Rt. 72-Sheffield, Tuscumbia, Alabama (BP 2-6-63)
 xOn Memphis Pike, 2.1 mi. from downtown Tuscumbia, Alabama (CP 1-19-55)
 (L 5-23-55)

509 North Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama (ERC-1410)

x 112 South Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama (ERC-686) (L 5-23-55)

Main studio location To be determined, Tuscumbia, Alabama (CP 1-19-55)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-9553 C.P. for Alabama	1-19-55	1590	5kw	Day	3-19 9-19-55
BMP-6784 (1)	3-4-55	Mod. of CP (9553) to chg. ext. C&O dates			5-4 11-4-55
BRC-686 (2)	4-1-55	Modification of construction permit to operate transmitter by remote control from 112 South Main Street, Tusculmbia, Alabama			
BL-5681	5-23-55	1590	5kw	Day	5-23 4-1-58
	<u>Lic. cover CP (BP-9553, as mod.) for new station.</u>				
BAL-2211 EFF:	2-8-56 2-15-56	Vol. assignment of license to Elton H. Darby.			
Telegram	3-28-58	Action on renewal deferred			3-27-58
	Continued operation authorized pending final determination on application				
BR-3119	4-23-58	1590	5kw	Day	4-23 4-1-61
BRC-1410 (1)	2-12-59	Modification of license to change Studio location and Remote Control Point from 112 South Main Street, Tusculmbia, Ala. to 509 North Main Street, Tusculmbia, Alabama			
	3-29-61	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BP-3119	5-3-61	1590kc	5kw	Day	5-3 4-1-64
BP-14317	2-6-63	1590kc	1kw, 5kw-DA-N	U	4-6 10-6-63
	CP to change hours of operation to Unlimited, 1kw, 5kw-LS, install directional antenna during night-time operation only, and change antenna-trans. site. (Cond'l)				
BP-14317	3-27-63	1590kc	1kw, 5kw-DA-N	U	4-6 10-6-63
	Mod. of CP(BP-14317) to change the Directional Antenna System (Memo).				
BMP-11054 (1)	11-6-63	Mod. of CP(BP-14,317) for extension of completion date to 1-6-64.			
BMP-11147 (2)	2-14-64	Mod. of CP(BP-14,317 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 3-15-64.			
BR-3119	3-24-64	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-67

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June 1954

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Station location

Name of licensee ELTON H. DARBY

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BL-10,486	9-28-64	1590kc	1kw, 5kw	LS DA-N	9-28 4-1-67
		lic to cover CP(BP-14,317 as mod) which auth chgs in hours of operation, ant-trans site, ant system, and install DA-N, specify type trans as ITA-5000A.			
BS-3119 (1)	8-2-66	Mod. of lic to chg operating spec. (Memo)			
BRC-3001 (2)	1-5-67	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 509 N. Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama (DA-N).			
BR-3119	3-29-67	1590kc	1kw, 5kw	LS DA-N	4-1 4-1-70
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BR-3119(S)	6-29-70	Renewal	and NDEA		4-1-73
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-3119(L)	11-4-77	Renewal			4-1-79
BZ-9496	11-4-77	Direct	Measurement		

APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

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Name **JESSE HENRY HAMMOND tr/as POWER CENTER BROADCASTING COMPANY**
(PO 113 S. Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-9553 Rec'd Filed	11-0-54 11-10-54 11-10-54	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1590kc Power: 5kw Hours of operation: Daytime Transmitter location: 2.1 mile from downtown on Memphis Pike, Near Tuscumbia, Alabama Studio location: To be determined, Tuscumbia, Alabama William E. Benns, Jr., Engr.	GRANTED	1-19-55
BP-6784 Rec'd Filed	2-22-55 2-24-55 2-24-55	Modification of construction permit (BP-9553 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (Gates BC-5B).	GRANTED	3-4-55

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

ELTON H. DARBY (AL 2-8-56, EFF:

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Name ~~X~~JESSE HENRY HAMMOND tr/as POWER CENTER BROADCASTING COMPANY
Tuscumbia, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-686 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	2-22-55 2-24-55 3-26-55 3-28-55 3-28-55	Modification of construction permit ^{as modified} to operate transmitter by remote control from 112 South Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama	Ret. 3-21-55 GRANTED	re. Para. 4 4-1-55
BL-5681 Rec'd Filed	3-28-55 3-30-55 3-30-55	License to cover construction permit (BP-9553, as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	5-23-55
BAL-2211 Rec'd Filed	1-6-56 1-13-56 1-13-56	Voluntary assignment of license to Elton H. Darby.	GRANTED EFF.	2-8-56 2-15-56
BR-3119 Rec'd & Filed	12-28-57 1-2-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-23-58

FORM BC-121 #3
 Aug. 1955

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Name ELTON H. DARBY

TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ERC-1410 Rec'd Filed	1-8-59 1-21-59 1-21-59	Modification of license to change Studio location and Remote Control Point from 112 South Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama TO 509 North Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama	GRANTED	2-12-59
BP-14,317 Rec'd Filed	8-22-60 8-23-60 8-23-60	Construction permit to change hours of operation from daytime only, 5kw, Day to Unlimited, 1kw, 5kw, LS, install directional antenna during nighttime use only, change antenna-transmitter site from On the Memphis Pike, 2.1 mi from downtown Tuscumbia, Alabama to 0.2 mi S of jctn, 2nd Ave. & Rt. 72-Sheffield, Tuscumbia, Alabama	GRANTED	2-6-63
AMENDMENT R & F	8-21-61 8-25-61	AMENDED to make changes in daytime ant. system Atty. - Robert M. Booth, Jr. (resistor) Eng. - Kear & Kennedy	Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip., DA & complete non-DA proof. re: permittee shall establish by the non-DA proof-of-performance that daytime radiation has been restricted to essentially 198 mv/m/kw as proposed.	
SEE BELOW FOR AMENDMENT				
BR-3119 Rec'd & Filed	1-16-61 1-18-61	Renewal of license Robert M. Booth, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	5-3-61
BP-14317 AMENDMENT R & F	(cont'd) 10-23-61 10-26-61	AMENDED to make changes in DA(N) pattern		

FORM BC-121 #4
Aug. 1955

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Name ELTON H. DARBY
TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EMP-11,054 R & F	10-7-63	Mod. of CP (BP-14,317 which auth chgs in hours of operation, ant-trans site, ant-sys, & install DA-N) for ext. of completion date from 10-6-63 to 12-6-63. Atty: Robert M. Booth, Jr.	GRANTED	11-6-63
	10-3-63		to	1-6-64
BR-3119 Rec'd Filed	12-29-63 1-3-64 1-3-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-24-64
EMP-11,147 R & F	1-5-64	Mod. of CP (BP-14,317 as mod which auth chgs in hours of operation, ant-trans site, ant-sys & install DA-N) for ext. of completion date from 1-6-64 to 2-6-64. <u>3-15-64</u> Atty: Robert M. Booth, Jr.	GRANTED	2-14-64
	1-6-64		to	3-15-64

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Letters W V N AName ELTON H. DAREY
Tuscumbia, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
HL-10,486 R. & F.	1-9-64 1-10-64	Lic to cover CP(BP-14,317 as mod) which auth chgs in hours of operation, ant-trans site antenna system, and install DA-N, specify type trans as ITA-5000-A. Atty- Robert M. Booth, Jr. Engr- Kear & Kennedy	GRANTED	9-28-64
BP- Rec'd.	5-11-65	Construction Permit to make change in antenna system (side mount FM antenna #2 tower)	RETURNED	5-19-65 as unnecessary
BRC-3001 R & F	10-28-66 11-14-66	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 509 N. Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama (DA-N).	GRANTED	1-5-67
BR-3119 R & F	12-30-66 1- 4-67	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-29-67

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Tuscumbia, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3119 R & F #568166 \$75. P.N.	1-2-70 1-5-70 1-5-70 1-5-70	Renewal of License AMENDED 2-20-70 re: supplemental engineering AMENDED 4-1-70 re: business interests & programming AMENDED 5-20-70 re: commercial policy AMENDED 6-8-70 re: commercial policy	GRANTED	6-29-70
BR-3119 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JAN	12-28-72 1-2-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 4-3-73 re: business interests; ascert. of comm. needs; commercial & employment practices AMENDED 5-18-73 re: community survey SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 12-1-75 as an amendment to pending renewal application. JAN AMENDED 4-27-76 re: EEO	GRANTED	9 1976 11-4-77 cond'l re: EEO

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Name ELTON H. DARBY
Tuscumbia, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-9496 R & F DM PRESS Amend	11-21-73 11-28-73 8-8-77 AUG 26 1977	Direct Measurement 24-77 - engineering exhibit E	GRANTED issued with BR-3119	11-4-77
BR781204VB PRESS:	FEB 7 1979 15-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 9-2-80 re: EEO		

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

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1590KHz.

Name: ELTON H. DARBY

Station Location: TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BP800902AO PRESS (0)	SEP 25 1980	CP to Add MEOV's To the Directional Nighttime Pattern.	

W V N A - RECORD OF DETAILS OF THERMAL APPLICATIONS

6-3-58 Mine den 11:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. with midnight

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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.

