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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 7-15-48

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STATION LOCATION: Wilson, N. C.

CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (AL gr 12/10/75 EFF: 1/1/76)

\* WILSON RADIO COMPANY, INC. (AL 9-28-49; EFF: 12-1-49)

Name of licensee \* H. W. ANDERSON, JOEL LAWHON, C. E. LEEPER, N. V. PIELER, AND W. T. WILLIAMS d/b as WILSON RADIO COMPANY

U.S. HIGHWAY 301, 1.6 miles NE of Wilson, N.C. (CP 12-14-49) (Lic. 7-15-48)

Transmitter location \* U.S. Highway 301, approx. 1½ miles East of Wilson, North Carolina (MP-3471) (Lic. 7-15-48)

U.S. Highway 301, 1.6 mi. N of Wilson, North Carolina (Lic. 7-15-48)

Main studio location \* U.S. Highway 301, approx. 1½ mi. East of Wilson, N.C. (MP 2-27-48) (Lic. 7-15-48)  
\* Briggs Hotel, East Nash Street, Wilson, North Carolina (MP-3471)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-6203	11-13-47	1420	1kw	daytime	
	Ltr. 1-5-48. CP for new station granted subject to filing MP for 1 site and antenna and permitted resign employment at WPTF, Raleigh, N.C.				
BMP-3471	1-6-48	1420	1kw	Daytime	3-6-48 9-6-48
	Mod. of C.P.(6203) to make changes in transmitting equipment, approval of antenna & trans.site & specify studio location (Cond'l)				
BMP-3629	2-26-48	1420	1kw	daytime	3-6 9-6-48
	Mod. CP (6203 as mod) to change studio site. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)				
BL-3191	7-15-48	1420	1kw	Daytime	7-15 11-1-50
	Lic. to cover CP (6203 as mod) for a new station. (COND. CLAUSE)				
BZ-2911	8-12-48	1420	1kw	Daytime	8-12 11-1-50
	Determine opr. power by direct method. (COND. CLAUSE)				
3AL-929	9-28-49	Vol. assignment of license from H. W. Anderson, Joel Lawhon, C. E. Leeper, N. V. Pieler, and W. T. Williams, d/b as Wilson Radio Company to Wilson Radio Company, Inc.			
EFF:	12-1-49				
BP-7117	12-14-49	1420	500w*, 1kw	Un	2-14 8-14-50
	*DA-N CP to change hrs. of opr. install DA for night and change T site. (COND. CLAUSE)				
IL-1000	1-1-50	1420	500w* 1kw	U	1-1 11-1-50
	*DA Lic. to cover CP (7117) to change hrs. of operation				
BTC-967	9-20-50	Voluntary acquisition of control of license see corp. by H.W. Anderson Thru purchase of 152 shares from C.E. Leeper			
Eff:	9-26-50				
BR-1987	10-23-50	1420	500w*1kw	U	11-1 11-1-53
	*DA-N				
BR-1987	10-7-53	Renewal of license			11-1 12-1-54
BR-1987	11-24-54	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-57
BR-1987	11-27-57	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-60



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Station location Wilson, North Carolina

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
	11-30-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration			
BR-1987	4-5-61	<del>XXXXXX</del> Renewal of License			4-5 12-1-63
BS-1987 (1)	3-27-61	Mod. of license to change obstruction markings. (South Tower)			
BR-1987 & memo	3-18-66	1420kc	500w-1kw	LS U DA-N	3-18 12-1-66
BR-1987	11-30-66	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-69
BR-1987 (S)	11-30-69	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-72
BRSA	5-25-72				
BR-1987(L)	11-14-73	RENEWAL			12-1-75
BAL-8520	12/10/75	Vol AL EFF: 1/1/76			
BR-1987(S)	12-10-75	Renewal of License			12-1-78
COMTEL	2-5-76	PSA	500 watts		
COMTEL	3-2-76	Obstruction painting and lighting DELETED.			
BZ-9212(L)	8-24-76	Direct Measurement			12-1-78
BZ-9212(L)	8-24-76	page 1 superseded to correct antenna current for daytime			12-1-78
BR780731YL (S)	11-17-78	Renewal of License			12-1-81
COMTEL	8-1-80	TEMP. AU. GR. OPERATE PARAMETERS AT VARIANCE WHILE MAINTAINING MONITOR POINTS WITHIN LIC. LIMITS TO CONTINUE OPERATION WHILE REPAIRING DAMAGE TO GROUND SYSTEM. AU. EXPIRES 9-1-80.			



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H. W. ANDERSON, JOEL LAWHON, C. E. LEEPER, N. V. PIELER and  
Name W. T. WILLIAMS, A Partnership d/b as WILSON RADIO COMPANY  
(PO c/o H. G. Connor, 3rd., Atty. at Law, National Bank Bldg., Wilson, N.C.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6203	7-9-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on:	GRANTED	11-13-47
Rec'd	7-11-47	Frequency: <del>1540kc</del> 1420kc	subject to filing MP	
Filed	7-11-47	Power: 250w lkw	for approval T site and antenna and further	
		Hours of operation: Unlimited daytime	subject to condition	
		Trans. location: To be determined-	that permittees resign	
		Wilson, North Carolina	their employment at	
		Studio location: To be determined-	WPTF, Raleigh, N.C.	
		Wilson, North Carolina	Ltr. 1-5-48	
		(Geroge C. Davis, Engr.)		
		<del>Contingent upon the grant of WCTM being granted a change of frequency.</del>		

(See amendment Card #2)



RCA BEA 1L

Transmitter ~~Gates 250-C-1~~

H. G. Connor III, Atty.  
Wilson, North Carolina



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Card #2

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Letters NEWName H. W. Anderson et al d/b as Wilson Radio Company

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6203 (cont. from Card #1)				
AMENDED	8-13-47	AMENDED to change frequency from 1340kc to 1420kc; power from 250w to 1kw daytime only; hours of operation from unlimited to daytime; and change type transmitter (RCA BTA 1L)		
Recd.	8-14-47			
Filed	8-14-47			



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Name H. W. ANDERSON, JOEL LAWHON, C. E. LEEPER, N. V. PIELER and  
W. T. WILLIAMS, A Partnership d/b as WILSON RADIO COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3471 Rec'd Filed	12-16-47 12-16-47 12-16-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6203, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to make changes in transmitting equipment, for approval of antenna and transmitter location at U.S. Hwy. 301, approx. 1½ miles East of Wilson, N. C., and to specify studio location as Briggs Hotel, East Nash Street, Wilson, N. C.  (George C. Davis, Engr.)	GRANTED subj. condition that permittee shall take such steps as necessary to eliminate cross modulation effects or generation of spurious emissions that may develop because of proximity of other radio stations; also subj. to condition that permittee resign from employment at Station WPTF	1-6-48



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Name H.W.ANDERSON, JOEL LAWHON, C.E.LEEPER, H.V.PIELER and  
W.T.WILLIAMS, A Partnership d/b as WILSON RADIO COMPANY.....

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Letters W V O T

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3629	2-14-48	Mod. of C.P. (HP-6203, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change studio location from Briggs Hotel, East Nash Street, Wilson, North Carolina to U.S.Hwy. 301, approx. 1½ miles East of Wilson North Carolina.	GRANTED	2-26-48
Rec'd	2-16-48		subj. to condition that	
Filed	2-16-48		the permittee shall take such steps as may be found nec. to eliminate cross mod. effects or the generation of spurious emissions that may develop because of the proximity of other radio stations, also subj. to condition that permittee resign from their employment at Sta. WPTF at Raleigh, N.C.	



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Letters **W V O T**Name **H. W. Anderson, Joel Lawhon, C. E. Leeper, N. V. Pieler and  
W. T. Williams, A Partnership d/b as Wilson Radio Company**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-3191	6-1-48	License to cover C.P. (BP-6203, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	7-15-48
Rec'd	6-1-48		subj. to cond. that lic. take such steps as may be necessary to eliminate cross modulation effects or the generation of spurious emissions that may develop because of proximity of other radio stations	
Filed	6-1-48		Returned 7-20-48 not signed or notarized.	
23-3911		Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	8-12-48
Rec'd	7-19-48		same cond. as above.	
Resubm.	7-23-48			
Rec'd	7-26-48			
Filed	7-26-48			



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WILSON RADIO COMPANY, INC.

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~~H. W. ANDERSON, JOEL LAWHON, C. E. LOEPER, N. V.~~Letters ~~W V O T~~Name ~~PIELER and W. T. WILLIAMS, A Partnership d/b as WILSON RADIO COMPANY~~

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-7117	2-12-49	Construction Permit to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited time with night power of 500w, install directional antenna for night use and change transmitter location from U.S. Highway 301, approx. 1½ miles east of Wilson, North Carolina to U.S. Highway 301, 1.6 miles N.E. from Wilson, North Carolina.	GRANTED	12-14-49
Rec'd	2-16-49		re installation of	
Filed	2-16-49		properly designed phase monitor.	
Amended	11-10-49	AMENDED to change name of applicant from H. W. Anderson, Joel Lawhon, C. E. Looper, N. V. Pieler and W. T. Williams, A Partnership d/b as Wilson Radio Company to Wilson Radio Company, Inc.		
Rec'd	11-14-49			
Filed	11-14-49			



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

**#7 WILSON RADIO COMPANY, INC. (AL C-28-49)**  
**x H. W. ANDERSON, JOEL LAWHON, C. E. LEEPER, N. V. PIELER**  
**Name AND W. T. WILLIAMS, A Partnership d/b as WILSON RADIO**  
**COMPANY**

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-929 Rec'd Filed	9-15-49 9-19-49 9-19-49	Voluntary assignment of license from H. W. Anderson, Joel Lawhon, C. E. Leeper, N. V. Pieler and W. T. Williams, A Partnership d/b as Wilson Radio Company to Wilson Radio Company, Inc.	GRANTED EFF:	9-28-49 12-1-49
BL-4050 Rec'd Filed	5-1-50 5-4-50 5-4-50	License to cover construction permit (BP-7117) which authorized a change in hours of operation install DA-W, change transmitter location. Irl T. Newton, Jr., Engr. (Commercial Radio Equip. Co.)	GRANTED	5-31-50
BTC-967 Rec'd Filed	7-7-50 7-10-50 7-10-50	Voluntary acquisition of control of licensee corporation by H. W. Anderson thru purchase of 152 shares of stock from C.E. Leeper.	GRANTED Eff:	9-20-50 9-26-50



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Letters **W V O T**Name **WILSON RADIO COMPANY, INC.**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1987 Rec'd Filed	8-31-50 9-1-50 9-1-50	Renewal of license.	Granted	10-23-50
BR-1987 Rec'd Filed	8-3-53 8-6-53 8-6-53	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10-7-53
BR-1987 Rec'd Filed	8-30-54 9-2-54 9-2-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-24-54
BR-1987 Rec'd Filed	8-31-57 9-3-57 9-3-57	Renewal Of License	GRANTED	11-27-57
BR-1987 Rec'd Filed	8-31-60 9-1-60 9-1-60	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	4-5-61



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Aug. 1955 #9

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Letters **W V O T**

Name **WILSON RADIO COMPANY, INC.**

**Wilson, North Carolina**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1987 R. & F.	8-30-63 9-4-63	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	<del>3-18-64</del> <del>XXXXXX</del>
BR-1987 R&F	8-31-66 9-2-66	Renewal of license	(Memo-dtd. 9-16-64) GRANTED	11-30-66
BR-1987 R & F #538691 \$75. P.N. filed PRESS SEP 16 1969	8-26-69 8-29-69 8-29-69 8-29-69	Renewal of license AMENDED 11-3-69 re: Business interests	GRANTED	11-26-69
BR-1987 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 16 1972	8-28-72 9-1-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 12-21-72 re: ascertainment of comm. needs: commercial policy: equal employment program AMENDED 1-15-73 re: employment program AMENDED 2-20-73 re: programming	GRANTED	11-14-73



Form BC-121  
September 1969  
12-48

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1420 kc

Call  
Letters W V O T

CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
Name WILSON RADIO COMPANY, INC.  
WILSON, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1987 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-23-75 8-1-75 SEP 12 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	12-10-75
BAL -8520 R & F FEE PD: \$200 #481247 CODE 047 PN filed	9-25-75 9-29-75 OCT 14 1975 11/3/75	Voluntary assignment of license to CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  Atty - Wade Hargrove, Raleigh, N.C	GRANTED EFF: FEE REQ Fee Pd	12/10/75 1/1/76  1/21/76 W 520724
BZ-9212 R & F \$100#577766 DM PRESS	6-3-76 6-7-76 6-10-76 8-6-76 AUG 18 1976	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	8-24-76



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Form BC-121  
May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1420 KHz.

Call  
Letters W V O TName CENTURY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
WILSON, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR780731YL PRESS	SEP 11 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty. Wade H. Hargrove (Raleigh, N. C.)	GRANTED	11-14-78







Renewal  
Requested

Date  
Received

Designated  
for Hearing

Reason

Remarks



## 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.

