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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-22-47 Call letters W W P Z (eff. 6-25-80)  
X W M B N  
 Station Location: Petoskey, Michigan

x THE MACDONALD BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 5-21-80 EFF: 5-26-80)

W M B N RADIO, INC. (AL Gr 3/21/77 EFF: 5/6/77)

Name of licensee x MIDWESTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location U. S. 131 South, Bear Creek Township, Michigan (MP 10-22-46) (Lic. 6-27-47)

Main studio location U. S. 131 South, Bear Creek Township, Michigan (MP 10-22-46) (Lic. 6-27-47)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
B2-P-4724 Letter 7-31-46, C.P. for new station granted subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna (Conditional Clause)	6-20-46	1340	250w	U	
B2-P-4724 B2-MP-2076 Mod. of C.P. (4724) for approval of antenna and T and S sites. (Cond. Clause)	10-22-46	1340	250w	U	12-22 6-22-47
BL-2413 B2-2230 Lic. to cover CP(4724 as mod.) for a new station and determine operating power.	6-27-47	1340	250w	U	6-27 2-1-50
BR-1668	1-25-50	1340	250w	U	2-1 2-1-53
<del>BR-1668</del> BR-1668	<del>1-14-53</del> 1-14-53	<u>Renewal of License</u> Superseding renewal of license issued to correct station location			<del>2-1 10-1-55</del> 2-1 10-1-55
BR-1668	9-7-55	Renewal of license			10-1 10-1-58
BR-1668	9-3-58	Renewal of license			10-1 10-1-61
BP-12519	11-14-58	1340	250w	U	1-14 7-14-59
	CP to install new antenna system and increase height of tower.				
BMP-8621 (1)	7-23-59	Mod. of CP(BP-12,519) for extension of completion date to 11-14-59.			
BL-7696 (1)	5-16-60	Lic. to cover CP(BP-12519 as mod.) which auth. increase height of tower and install new antenna system.			
BP-13372	3-22-61	1340kc	250w-1kw	LS U	5-22 11-22-61
	CP to increase daytime power and install a new transmitter. (COND'L)				
BR-1668	9-7-61	1340kc	250w	Un	10-1 10-1-64
BTC-3920 EFF:	12-22-61 12-26-61	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Les Biederman thru purchase of stock from Edward Biederman.			
BL-8765	11-6-61	1340kc	250w, 1kw	LS, U	11-6 10-1-64
	License to cover CP (BP-13372) which auth. inc. day power & installation of a new transmitter.				
BR-1668	9-14-64	Renewal of License			10-1 10-1-67



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June 1954

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Date first licensed .....

Call letters ..... W M B N

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BZ-6342 (1)	3-15-67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.			
<del>BR-1568</del>	<del>10-31-67</del>	<del>1340kc</del>	<del>250w-1kw-LS U</del>		<del>10-31 10-1-70</del>
BR-1668(S)	9-30-70	Renewal of License			10-1-73
EBSA BR-1668(L)	5-22-72	Renewal of license			10-1-76
BZ-8411	3-13-74	Direct Measurement			
BR-1668(S)	9-22-76	Renewal of license			10-1-79
BAL-8933	3/21/77	Vol AL EFF: 5/6/77			
BR790601UN(S)	9-28-79	Renewal of license			10-1-82
EBSA	6-25-80	CALL SIGN CHANGE			
BZ-800430AO(L)	5-23-80	DIRECT MEASUREMENT			10-1-82
BAL800226FR	5-21-80	VOL AS EFF: 5-26-80			



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W M B N  
 Letters x New

Name MIDWESTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY  
(P.O. Lester M. Biederman, 114-116 E. Front St., Traverse City, Michigan)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-P-4724	4-10-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1340 kc. Power: 250w Hours of Operation: Unlimited time Trans. Location: To be determined, Emmet County, Michigan Studio Location: To be determined - Petoskey, Michigan (Filed by Frank D. Scott, Atty.; George C. Davis, Engr.)	GRANTED	6-20-46
Rec'd	4-10-46		subject to filing MP for T site and antenna and Conditional re waiver	
Filed	4-10-46		3.55(b) and 3.60 Letter 7-31-46 Issued with MP-2076	



Composite, ~~XXXXXX~~ Transmitter



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Call

Letters WMBNName MIDWESTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-MP-2076 Rec'd Filed	8-16-46 8-19-46 8-19-46	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-4724, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, approval of transmitter and studio locations at U.S. 131 South, Bear Creek Township, Michigan.	Granted Conditional re Waiver 3.55(b) and 3.60	10-22-46
BL-2413 Rec'd Filed	4-21-47 4-23-47 4-23-47	License to cover C.P. (B2-P-4724, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	6-27-47
B2-2230 Rec'd Filed	4-21-47 4-23-47 4-23-47	and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.		



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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1668 Rec'd	12-1-49 12-5-49	Renewal of license	GRANTED	1-25-50
BR-1668 Rec'd Filed	10-23-52 10-31-52 10-31-52	Renewal of license  John P. Carr, Atty.	GRANTED	1-14-53
BTC-1750 Rec'd Filed	6-14-54 6-21-54 6-21-54	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Les Biederman thru the gift to him of 190 shares of stock by Edward Biederman.  John P. Carr, Atty.	DISMISSED	6-29-55 request of atty.
BR-1668 Rec'd Filed	6-28-55 7-6-55 7-6-55	Renewal of license  Alfred C. Cordon, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	9-7-55



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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1668 Rec'd Filed	7-11-58 7-14-58 7-14-58	Renewal of license Al Cordon, Attorney	GRANTED	9-3-58
BP-12,519 Rec'd Filed	10-29-58 10-29-58 10-29-58	Construction permit to install new antenna system and increase height of tower.  Al Cordon, Atty. <i>See above page</i>	GRANTED	11-14-58
BMP-8621 R & F	7-7-59 7-9-59	Mod. of o.p. (BP-12,519 which auth. incr. height of tower and install new antenna system) for extension of completion date from 7-14-59 to 1-14-60.  Dow, Lohnes, & Albertson, Attys.	GRANTED to	7-23-59 11-14-59



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Letters W.M.B.N.Name MIDWESTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY  
PTOSKEY, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-13,372 Rec'd Filed	7-30-59 7-30-59 7-30-59	Construction Permit to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw and install a new transmitter (RCA-BTA-1R) Requests waiver of Sec. 3.28(c) of the Rules Atty. - Dow, Lohnes and Albertson Engr. - George C. Davis	GRANTED Cond'l re accept interf. Class IV stat. if auth. incr. power to 1kw. Sub. ant. resist. meas. in accord. with Sec. 3.54.	3-22-61
BL-7696 R&F	10-15-59 10-20-59	Lic. to cover cp(BP-12519 as mod.) which auth. incr. hgt. of tower & install new antenna system.	GRANTED	5-16-60
BR-1668 Rec'd & Filed	6-24-61 6-30-61	Renewal of License Alfred C. Cordon, Jr., atty.	GRANTED	9-7-61
BL-8765 R. & F.	8-24-61 9-1-61	License to cover C.P. (BP-13,372) which auth. increase daytime power and the installation of a new transmitter. Atty: Dow, Lohnes and Albertson	GRANTED Cond'l re accept interf. Class IV stat if auth. inc. power to 1kw.	11-6-61



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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BTC-3920 Rec'd Filed	12-2-61 12-8-61 12-8-61	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Les Biederman thru purchase of stock from Edward Biederman.  Alfred C. Cordon, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-22-61 12-26-61
BR-1668 R. & F.	3-13-64 3-16-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty: Alfred C. Cordon, Jr.	GRANTED	9-14-64
BZ-6342 R & F	12/22/66 12/28/66	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power. Atty: A.C. Cordon, Jr. Engr: L. Biederman, Traverse City, Michigan	GRANTED	3-15-67
BR-1668 R & F	6-30-67 7-3-67	Renewal of license  Atty- <del>AK</del> A. C. Cordon, Jr. (Dow, etc.)	GRANTED Con'd. 250w Class IV stations	10-31-67
Ltr.	4-16-69	Al Cordon, Jr. now atty.		



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Petoskey, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1668 R & F #613902 \$75. P.N.	6-18-70 7-2-70 7-2-70	Renewal of License Atty: Alfred C. Cordon, Jr. AMENDED 9-10-70 re: programming; commercial practices; business interest	GRANTED	9-30-70
10-2-70 Annual fee \$32.00 deducted from \$75.00 Renewal filing fee. Credit \$43.00 to 1971.				
BR-1668 Recd. PN Recd. Filed PRESS AUG 1	6-18-73 6-29-73 " 7-23-73 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE A.C.Cordon, Jr. Atty. AMENDED 8-21-73 re: business interests; commercial policy	GRANTED	3-13-74
BZ-8411 R & F DM PRESS OCT 9	9-1-73 9-4-73 9-11-73 1973	Direct Measurement	GRANTED issued w/	3-13-74 renewal



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1340kHz

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Letters W M B N

W M B N RADIO, INC.

Name MIDWESTERN BROADCASTING COMPANY

Petoskey, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1668 R & F P.N. Press	5-24-76 5-27-76 5-27-76 <b>JUN 30 1978</b>	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty: Alfred C. Cordon, Jr. (Cordon & Jacob)  AMENDED 8-30-76 re: engineering	GRANTED	9-22-76
DAL-8933 R & F Also see WMBN-FM, WTCM(AM) etc FORM 316	3/3/77 3/7/77 MAR 14 1977	Voluntary assignment of license to W M B N RADIO, INC.  Atty - <u>Cordon &amp; Jacob</u>	GRANTED EFF:	3/21/77 5/6/77
BR790601UN PRESS	JUL 5 1979	Renewal of License Atty. Alfred C. Cordon	GRANTED	9-28-79



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## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WMBN

Name: WMBN RADIO, INC.

Station Location: Petoskey, Mich.

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL-800226FR FORM 314 (ALSO SEE RM) PRESS: PN FILED	MAR 12 1980 4-9-80	Vol AL to THE MACDONALD BROADCASTING COMPANY REQUEST TAX CERTIFICATE (over) Atty for assignor - A.C.Cordon, Jr. for a ssignee - J.P. Freret	
BZ-800430AC R & F PRESS MAY 19 1980 MAY 12 1980	4-30-80	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: Alfred C. Cordon	GRANTED 5-23-80



BAL800226FR Amended 3-5-80 re: Bank letter



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Call Letters: W W P Z  
X W M B N

DUMMY CARD

Name: THE MACDONALD BROADCASTING COMPANY

Station Location: PETOSKY, MICHIGAN

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL800226FR Form 314 PRESS PN FILED	(ALSO SEE WMBN) MAR 1 1980 4-9-80	VOL. AL. and CP(BPH790403AJ-to incr. ERP and HAAT) to THE MACDONALD BROADCASTING COMPANY  REQUEST TAX CERTIFICATE  ATTY-for assignor-a.c. cordon, Jr. for assignee-J.P. Freet	GRANTED 5-21-80  EFF: 5-26-80



## 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.

