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Form BC 126  
June 1954

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NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM BROADCAST

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 2-2-61

W D C U (eff. 6-6-80)

Call letters X WDCU-TV

Station location Washington, D.C.

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (ALED: 3-12-80

EFF: 5-12-80

Name of licensee X THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF GEORGETOWN COLLEGE

American Univ., Mass. & Nebr. Aves., N.W., Wash., D.C. (MP 5-31-73)  
x2660 Woodley Road, N.W., Washington, D.C. (PED-11-6-72)

Transmitter location X Copley Building, 37th & O Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Copley Hall, Georgetown College,  
37th & O Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. (PED-11-6-72)

20007

Main studio location X (Basement) Copley Hall, 37th & O Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No.   | Date Issued      | Freq.   | Power                   | Time Div.                | Period From - To   |
|---|------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| BPED-424<br>HAAT: 23'   | 5-25-60          | 90.1mcs<br>Ch. 211                            | 840-w<br>TPO: 250-w     | U                        | 7-25-60<br>1-25-61 |
| Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station.   |                  |   |                         |                          |                    |
| BLED-303  | 2-2-61           | 90.1mcs<br>CH. 211                            | 771w<br>TPO: 250        |                          | 2-2-61 10-1-63     |
| License to cover CP-(BPED-424) for a new non-com. Bd. FM broadcast station.                                 |                  |   |                         |                          |                    |
| BLED-196  | 11-15-63         | Renewal of License                            |                         |                          | 11-15 10-1-66      |
| BRED-196  | 9-30-66          | Renewal of License                            |                         |                          | 10-1 10-1-69       |
| BRED-196(S)   | 9-25-69          | Renewal                                       |                         |                          | 10-1-72            |
| BPED-1,067<br>HAAT: 45'   | 6-4-70           | 90.1mc<br>Ch#211                              | ERP: 14.7kw<br>TPO: 3kw |                          | 8-4 2-4-71         |
| CP install antennas, tran. make chgs in ant system. chg. TPO, ERP and HAAT.                                 |                  |   |                         |                          |                    |
| BLED-839(L)   | 11-30-70         | Lic. (BPED-1067) changes                      |                         |                          | 10-1-72            |
| BSA   | 5-15-72          |   |                         |                          |                    |
| BRED-196(S)   | 10-27-72         | RENEWAL                                       |                         |                          | 10-1-75            |
| BPED-1482<br>HAAT: 285'   | 11-6-72          | 90.1mc<br>#211                                | ERP: 10kw<br>(RC)       | Unl.                     | 11-6-73            |
| CP chg. TL, operate by RC form SL, install new ant., make chg. ant. syst. (incr. hgt.) chg. TPO, ERP, HAAT. |                  |   |                         |                          |                    |
| BMPED-1000<br>(I)   | 5-31-73          | MP (BPED-1482)<br>RC                          | ERP: 6.7kw H&V          | HAAT: 440' H&V           | 11-6-73            |
| BMPED-1033(1)   | 11-6-73          | MP (BPED-1482 as mod)                         |                         | Extension time<br>5-6-74 |                    |
| BPED-1760   | 2-8-74           | CP install Aux. Trans.<br>2.25kw H&V 440' H&V |                         |                          | 2-8-75             |
| BLED-1235   | 5-20-74          | Lic. (BPED-1482, as mod.)                     |                         | -CHGS, Main              |                    |
| BLED-1235(L)  |                  | Lic. (BPED-1760)-Auxiliary trans.             |                         | 10-1-75                  |                    |
| Main:   | HAAT: 440' (H&V) | 90.1mhz.                                      | ERP: 6.7kw (H&V)        | RC                       |                    |
| Aux:  | "                | "   | 2.25kw (H&V)            |                          |                    |
| COMTEL  | 2-1-77           | Trans: GATES-FM-3H3 now installed.            |                         |                          |                    |
| BRED-196(L)   | 11-9-77          | RENEWAL<br>(MAIN & AUXILIARY)                 |                         |                          | 10-1-78            |
| Ltr.  | 9-13-79          | Auth. suspend oper. thru 10-16-79             |                         |                          |                    |



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## BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed ..... 2-2-61 .....

Call Letters ..... W G T B-FM .....

Station Location ..... WASHINGTON, D. C. ....

Name .....

Transmitter Location .....

Main studio location .....



### Authorization Record

| File No. | Granted | Facilities        | Expires |
|----------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| BALED-43 | 3-12-80 | VOL. AL      EFF: | 5-12-80 |
| EBSA     | 6-6-80  | CALL SIGN CHANGE  |         |



AUG 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call

Letters ~~new~~ WGTB-FM

Name THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF GEORGETOWN COLLEGE Station location: Washington, D.C.  
 (P.O. - Francis J. Heyden, S.J., 37th and O Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.)

| File No.                                      | Dated                | Application for   | Action                           |                    |
|---|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|
|   |                      |   | Nature                           | Date               |
| BPED-424<br>Rec'd<br>Resub.<br>Rec'd<br>Filed | 2-17-60              | Construction permit for a new non-comm. Ed FM   | <del>REPT</del>                  | <del>2-26-60</del> |
|   | 2-17-60              | broadcast station to be operated on:  | <del>Not signed by officer</del> |                    |
|   | 3-21-60              | Frequency - 90.1mc CH 211   | GRANTED                          | 5-25-60            |
|   | 3-22-60              | ERP - 0.84175 kw  | HAAT:                            | 23'                |
|   | 3-22-60              | Type transmitter - GATES FM 250B<br>Type antenna - ANDREW 1304-1 (4 section)<br>HAAT 23 ft<br>Trans. location - 37th & O Streets, N.W./Hall<br>Washington, D.C.<br>Studio location - Same as transmitter<br><br>Atty. - Edw. Bennett Williams | ERP:                             | 840-watts          |
| BLER-303<br>R & F                             | 10-28-60<br>10-31-60 | License to cover C.P. (BPED-424) which authorized construction of a new Non-Commercial Educational FM Station   | GRANTED                          | 2-2-61             |



FORM BC-121 # 2  
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WGTB-FM

Name The President and Directors of Georgetown College..... Station location: Washington, D.C.  
(P.O. - Francis J. Heyden, S.J., 37th and O Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.)

| File No.  | Dated                            | Application for   | Action  |          |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---------|----------|
|   |                                  |   | Nature  | Date     |
| BRED 196<br>Rec'd<br>Filed                            | 7-26-63<br>7-26-63<br>7-26-63    | Renewal of license  | GRANTED | 11-15-63 |
| BRED-196<br>R & F                                     | 7-18-66<br>7-20-66               | Renewal of license  | GRANTED | 9-30-66  |
| BRED-196<br>R & F<br>Press JUL 15 1969                | 6-30-69<br>7-2-69<br>15 1969     | Renewal of license  | GRANTED | 9-25-69  |
| BPED-1,067<br>R & F<br>NO FEE REQUIRED:<br>JAN 1 1970 | 1-8-70<br>1-8-70<br>5-13-70      | CP trans(Gates-FM-3H); ant(Gates-FMA-5, 5 sections); make chgs. in ant. system(incr. hght); TPO 3kws; ERP: 14.72kws; & HAAT: 45'. | GRANTED | 6-4-70   |
| BLED-839<br>R & F<br>PTA<br>PRESS NOV 18 1970         | 10-16-70<br>10-19-70<br>10-27-70 | Lic.(BPED-1,067) for changes.   | GRANTED | 11-30-70 |



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WGTB-FM

Name THE PRESIDENT and DIRECTORS OF GEORGETOWN COLLEGE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

| File No.  | Dated                              | Application for   | Action  |          |
|---|------------------------------------|---|---------|----------|
|   |                                    |   | Nature  | Date     |
| BRED-196<br>R & F<br>PN Recd.<br>PRESS DM<br>JUL 8 1972                           | 6-27-72<br>6-28-72<br>"<br>7-14-72 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE  | GRANTED | 10-27-72 |
| BPED-1,482<br>R & F<br>No Fee Required<br>Press OCT 4 1972<br>P. N. Rec'd 9-27-72 | 8-29-72<br>9-5-72<br>9-27-72       | CP to chg. TL to: 2660 Woodley Road, N. W., Washington, D. C.; operate trans. by RC from SL: 37th and "O" Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C.; install new ant. (Andrew Multi-V-1304-1, 4 sects.); make chg. ant. system (increase height); chg. TPO; ERP: 10KW; HAAT: 285'.<br>(38° 55' 29" - 77° 03' 22")   | GRANTED | 11-6-72  |
| BMPED-1,000<br>R & F<br>No Fee Required<br>Press MAY 29 1973                      | 5-17-73<br>5-17-73<br>5-29-73      | MP (BPED-1,482) chg. TL to: American University Massachusetts and Nebraska Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.; chg. SL & RC to: Copley Hall, Georgetown College, Washington, D.C.; chg. ant. (Shively 6811-5, 5 sects.); make chg. ant. system (decrease height); chg. TPO; ERP: 6.7KW(H&V) and HAAT: 440' (H&V)<br>(38° 56' 09" - 77° 05' 33")<br>F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. | GRANTED | 5-31-73  |



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WGTB-FM

Name The President and Directors of Georgetown College  
Washington, D. C.

| File No.  | Dated                       | Application for  | Action                    |                       |
|---|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|
|   |                             |  | Nature                    | Date                  |
| BMPED-1,033<br>R & F<br>No Fee Required<br>Press<br>OCT 31 1973 | 10-23-73<br>10-25-73        | MP (BPED-1,482, as mod.) ext. time to 2-28-73. (For Changes)   | GRANTED<br><br>TO:        | 11-6-73<br><br>5-6-74 |
| BPED-1,760<br>R & F<br>No Fee Required<br>PRESS<br>JAN 29 1974  | 1-14-74<br>1-18-74          | CP to install a new Aux. Trans. (Western Electric 503B-2); at Main Trans. Loc., to be operated on 90.1mhz #211; TPO: 1KW; ERP: 2.24KW and HAAT: 440', for Auxiliary purposes only. | GRANTED                   | 2-8-74                |
| BLED-1235<br>R & F<br><del>PTA</del><br>PRESS                   | 4-3-74<br>4-4-74<br>4-16-74 | Lic.(BPED-1482, as mod.)-Changes, Main.  | GRANTED                   | 5-20-74               |
| BLED-1236<br>R & F<br>PTA<br>PRESS<br>MAY 6 1974                | 4-3-74<br>4-4-74<br>4-16-74 | Lic.(BPED-1760)-Auxiliary trans.   | GRANTED<br>issued w/Main, | 5-20-74<br>LH-1235    |



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

90.1 mhz

Call  
Letters WGTB-FM

Name THE PRESIDENT and DIRECTORS OF GEORGETOWN COLLEGE  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

| File No. | Dated  | Application for   | Action  |         |
|----------|--------|---|---------|---------|
|          |        |   | Nature  | Date    |
| BRED-196 | 6-5-75 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS.)   | GRANTED | 11-9-77 |
| R & F    | 6-6-75 | PETITION TO DENY OF COMMITTEE TO SAVE ALTERNATIVE RADIO, INC.,<br>filed 5-14-76 by Charles M. Firestone, Counsel on behalf of<br><del>Committee to Save Alternative Radio, Inc.</del>   |         |         |
| PN Recd. | "      | MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED PETITION TO DENY filed 5-14-76 by<br>Charles M. Firestone, Counsel on behalf of Committee to Save<br>Alternative Radio, Inc.  |         |         |
| PRESS    |        | OPPOSITION OF GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY TO INFORMAL OBJECTION OF<br>COMMITTEE TO SAVE ALTERNATIVE RADIO, INC., AGAINST RENEWAL OF<br>WGTB-FM LICENSE filed 7-12-76 by Harold Ungar, Counsel on behalf<br>of Georgetown University |         |         |
|          |        | APPEAL FROM STAFF DENIAL OF MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED PETITION TO<br>DENY filed 7-14-76 by Charles M. Firestone, Counsel on behalf of<br>(CSAR)   |         |         |

**FILED 13 1975**

(over)



(BRED-196) MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE  
REPLIES filed 7-23-76 by Charles M. Firestone, Counsel  
on behalf of Petitioners (CSAR)

OPPOSITION TO MOTION OF CSAR FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO  
FILE REPLIES filed 7-26-76 by Harold Ungar, Counsel on  
behalf of Georgetown College

REPLY TO THE OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed  
9-7-76 by Charles M. Firestone, Counsel on behalf of  
Petitioners (CSAR)

AFFIDAVIT TO REPLY TO THE OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO  
DENY filed 9-15-76 by Charles M. Firestone, Counsel  
on behalf of Petitioners (CSAR)

MEMORANDUM OPINION & ORDER #83385, Informal Objection  
filed by Committee to Save Alternative Radio, Inc.,  
is Denied



Form BC-121  
May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters .....WGTB-FM.....

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Name ~~THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF GEORGETOWN COLLEGE~~  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

| File No.   | Dated   | Application for   | Action     |                   |
|--|---------|---|------------|-------------------|
|  |         |   | Nature     | Date              |
| BALED -43<br>R & F<br>FORM 314<br>JUN 20 1978<br>PN FILED<br>" | 5/30/78 | Voluntary assignment of license to UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA<br><br>Atty - Hogan & Hartson (Marvin Diamond)<br>Atty for assignor - Williams & Connolly<br><br>PETITION TO DENY FILED 7-26-78 by Fisher, Wayland etc on behalf of Alliance to Preserve Radio at Georgetown (OVER)<br>MOTION FOR EXT OF TIME TO REPLY TO ABOVE PETITION filed 8-1-78 by attys on behalf of assignor & assignee<br>MOTION FOR FURTHER EXT OF TIME TO REPLY filed 8-16-78 by Hogan & Hartson | GRANTED    | 3-12-80           |
|  | 5/31/78 |   | EFF:       | 5-19-80           |
|  |         |   | Comm. Mem. | Opinion and Order |
|  | 6-28-78 |   |            |                   |
|  | 1-31-80 |   |            |                   |
|  | 8-9-78  |   |            |                   |
| BRED-196<br>R & F<br>PRESS<br>JUN 15 1978                      | 5-31-78 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE  |            |                   |
|  | "       | John J. Buckley, Jr., Atty. (Wms. & Connolly)   |            |                   |
|  |         | (SEE BACK OF CARD #7)   |            |                   |



RE: BALED-43 - Section II, III, IV & VI of Form 340 filed  
OPPOSITION (OF PROPOSED ASSIGNEE) TO PET TO DENY filed by  
attys on behalf of assignee (filed 8-23-78)  
OPPOSITION TO PET TO DENY filed 8-23-78 by Atty Buckley, Jr.  
on behalf of licensee

MOTION FOR EXT OF TIME filed 9-15-78 by Attys Fisher, Wayland  
on behalf of APRG

REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO PET TO DENY filed 9-18-78 by Attys  
Fisher, Wayland etc on behalf of APRG

INFORMAL PET TO DENY filed 11-14-78 by Students of George-  
town University

AMENDED 12-4-78 re: proposed plans to equip sta. for  
programming

Signatures in support of present staff & format filed  
1-5-79 by APRG (filed by Attys Fisher, Wayland etc)

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO DENY  
filed 1-23-79 by Atty. Richard R. Zaragoza on behalf of  
Alliance to Preserve Radio at Georgetown

SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO DENY filed 1-23-79 by Atty.  
Richard R. Zaragoza on behalf of Alliance To Preserve  
Radio at Georgetown

AMENDED 1-29-79 re: Discontinuance of operations;  
FEC Notice of Violation from both counsels

AMENDED 1-29-79 re: Leroy Keith as Executive V-Pres.  
of University of District of Columbia

MOTION TO DEFER PROCESSING filed 2-12-79 by APRG pending  
decision by Court of Appeals - Case No. 76-1692 et al

OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO DEFER PROCESSING - filed 2-16-79  
by Attys Hogan & Hartson on behalf of assignee

Ad'l signatures to Motion to defer processing -F 3-2-79  
Correction re number of signatures (re above) filed 3-13-79

AMENDED 8-10-79 re: New Bd. member (Albert Elliott) &  
his legal qualifications

AMENDED 11-30-79 re: to reflect chges. in BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES

AMENDED 12-27-79 re: erratum to amend. dated 11-30-79 to  
correct that Oliver T. Carr was appointed by Mayor Berry

AMENDED 12-21-79 re: Authority to remain silent (Sec. 73.  
561(d))

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed 5-14-80 by The Alliance  
to Preserve Radio at Georgetown (APRG).

OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 5-29-80  
BY THE UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.



#7

90.1 MHz

## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W G T B-FM  
W D C U

Name: UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Station Location: Washington, DC

| File No.                  | Date | Description   | Action and Date   |
|---------------------------|------|---|---|
| BPED810609AL<br>PRESS (0) |      | <p data-bbox="967 722 2526 799">OVER FOR CONTINUATION OF BALED-43.</p> <p data-bbox="967 799 2526 1329">CP to make chgs. in Ant. Sys.; chg. TL to:<br/>Northwest Corner of the Intersection of 4th &amp;<br/>Peabody Streets, N.W., Washington, D. C.; chg.<br/>type Trans.; chg. type Ant. (HARRIS FML-5E, 5<br/>sects. H&amp;V); chg. SL &amp; RC to: 4200 Connecticut<br/>Ave., Bldg. 38 Room A04, Washington, D.C.;<br/>incre. ERP: 6.8kw (H&amp;V); incre. HAAT: 453' (H&amp;V)<br/>&amp; chg. TPO.</p> <p data-bbox="967 1379 2526 1456">38° 57' 44" 77° 01' 36"</p> <p data-bbox="967 1495 2526 1572">Atty. Gardner F. Gillespie (Hogan &amp; Hartson)</p> | <p data-bbox="2526 838 3075 1108"><i>Get 9-3-81</i><br/><u>Issued</u></p> |



BALED-43 AMENDED 6-12-80 re: PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, filed by The Alliance to Preserve Radio at Georgetown (APRG).

AMENDED 6-26-80 re: REPLY by The Alliance to Preserve Radio at Georgetown (APRG) to the OPPOSITION PLEADING filed by University of the District of Columbia (UDC)

(BRED810612UA) SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 6-12-81 as an amendment to pending renewal application.

(Atty.: Gardner F. Gillespie) PRESS:

AUG 10 1981



## 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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 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). Prior to that move, 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.

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.

