

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed OCTOBER 31, 1980

Call letters WNSB

Station location Norfolk, Virginia

Name of licensee NORFOLK STATE COLLEGE

Transmitter location ... 2401 Corprew Ave. Norfolk, Virginia (PED-1-23-78)

Main studio location SAME AS TRANSMITTER (PED-1-23-78)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPED-2443 HAAT: 120' (L)	1-23-78	#216	(RC)	.96kw U Class-A -CML-ED-FN	1-23-79 station
BPED-2443 (1)	3-27-78	CALL LE	TERS &	EBSA ASSI	ONED.
BMPED781219AH (2)	2-6-79		Appendix and the second second second	for ext.	7-29-79
BMPED780830AM HAAT: 155' ((L)	The second secon	MP(BPED- mke chg. 91.1mhz	antenn		6-23-79
BMPED790625AD (1)		for ext.	of comp	letion da	
MPED800328AF HAAT: 155' (F	THE RESERVE THE PARTY OF THE PA	Mod. of	CP (BPEI	2kW (H) -2443, as rans. line	11-24-80 mod.) dec ERP.
BLED-800208A HAAT: 155'(H		91.1mHz License 43, as m station.	to cover	(BPED-24	10-1-81
COMTEL	7-17-80	AU. & TE THRU 9		TEL 2-20-80	EXT.
COMTEL	9-26-80	THRU 10	-22-80.	EL 2-20-80 UNDERSTAND FORM 341	EXT. IN PRO-

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name Norfolk State College
Norfolk, Virginia (PO 2401 Corprew Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia 23504)

File No. BPED-2443 Rec'd Filed PN REC'D PRESS:	Dated 1-17-77 3-8-77 7-26-77 T 1 8 1977	36° 50' 51" 76° 15' 57" ATTY: Richard Marks(Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	RULES WAIVED AND APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING GRANTED 1-23-78
AMENDED	7-26-77 8-19-77	REQUEST CHARTER OF SECTION 73.509 COMMISSION RU engineering(topographic map) Engineering(chg. ERP)	LES

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNSB

Name Norfolk State College Norfolk, Virginia

	File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	e Date
- 90	MPED-780830. RESS:	M SEP 18 1978	MP (BPED-2443) to chg. TL (same site); mke. chg. ant. sys. (incr. hght.); chg. HAAT: 153		1-22-79
	WDEDZOLOZO		Atty: Frederick D. Cooke, Jr. Engr:		
	BMPED781219A PRESS	H JAN 22 1979	MP (BPED-2443) for Extension of Time to: (NEW STATION)	GRANTED TO	2-6-79 7-29-79
Total Control	BMPED790625A PRESS (0)	D JUL 2 3 1979	MP (BPED-2443, as Mod.) for Extension of Time to: 1-1-80 (NEW STATION)	RANTED	8/28/79
	2-8-80		F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING 91.1MHz.

Call Letters: W N S B

Name: NORFOLK STATE COLLEGE

Station Location: NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Station Location:	MURFULK, V	IRGINIA	
File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPED800328AF PRESS (0)	MAY 7 198	Mod. of CP (BPED-2443, as Mod.) to make chgs. in Transmission Line & decre. ERP: 0.920kw (H). Atty. Frederick D. Cooke, Jr. (Dow, Lohnes & A)	
BLED-800208AH PTA PRESS SE	1 2 1980	License to cover (BPED-2443, as mod.) for a new station. Atty: Frederick D. Cooke, Jr.	GRANTED 10-31-80 Form BC-121 March 1979

Call Letters:

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Name: NORFOLK STATE COLLEGE

Station Location: NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRED810601WN PRESS	AUG 1 0 19	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Todd D. Gray	GRANTED 10-22-81
			Form BC-121 March 1979

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 12th 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.

