

BC- 126 June 1975

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-9-79

Call letters WTOH

Station location Mobile, Alabama

Name of licensee

THE PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEES OF THE SPRING HILL COLLEGE IN THE COUNTY OF MOBILE

Transmitter location 4307 Old Shell Rd., Assumption Hall, Mobile, Alabama (PED-6-8-78)

SAME AS TRANSMITTER (PED-6-8-78)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To-
BPED-2461 HAAT: (L)	6-8-78	#213	(RC)	TPO: 10w U Class-D CML ED FM s	6-8-79 tation
BPED-2461 (1)	8-14-78	CALL LE	TTERS &	EBSA ASSIGN	IED
BLED-790305A	B 8-9-79	Lic. (BP)	D-2461)	NEW STATION	4-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W T O H Letters NEW EDUC FM

Name The President and Trustees of the Spring Hill College in the County of Mobile Mobile, Mabama (FO 4307 Shell Rd., Mobile, Alabama 36608)

	File No.	Dated	- Application for	Nature	Date
ı	BPED-2461 R&F REC D PRESS: A	3-23-77 4-28-77 JG 17 1077	90.5mhz #<13 TPO: 10 watta Trans. GATES BFE-1UC; Ant: Gates FM11,1 section: TL-SL: 4307 Old Shell Rd., Assumption Hall, Mobile, Alabama	GRANTED	6-8-78
			30° 41' 40" 88° 08' 23" ATTY: ENGR: Ste en S. Riggs		
	AMENDED	2-7-78	copy of Articles of Incorporation, balance sheet, copy of Bd of Trustees resolution and other business interest		
	AMENDED	5-9-78 5-23-78	copy of by-laws additional info on Mr Francis A. Benedetto (he's VP and Secretary of governing body of Loyo University of New Orleans, Louisiana (WWL-AM/FM/TV	ola ,	
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	3-16-79	Application for	Nature Date	
SLED-790305AE		License to cover (BPED-2461) for NEW STATION Atty: Frederick D. Cooke, Jr.	GRANTED	8-9-79
PED-800208AB (C)		CP chg freq 105.9MHz #290; incr ERP: 0.010KW HAAT: 290' chg TI: College and Loyola Lanes. OF bile, Alabam a; make chgs in antsys. 88 08 15		
MAR 10'81	APR 2	7'81		

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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.

