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Form BC 126  
June 1954

Non Commercial Educational

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

#571

Date first licensed .....September 7, 1972

Call letters .....W U A L-FM

Station location .....Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Name of licensee .....BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

2.5 mi. N.E. of Duncanville, Near Duncanville, Al. (MPED 4-9-81) X(PED 6-11-80)

X0.9 mi. W. of Intersection State Rt. 215 & US 11, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Transmitter location ...XUniversity Boulevard and Colonial Drive, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

(PED-1-19-72)

7 Bryce Lawn (Univ.), Tuscaloosa, Alabama (MPED 4-9-81)

X914 Colonial Drive, Tuscaloosa, Alabama (PED 6-11-80)

Main studio location ...XSame as transmitter

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPED-1320(L) HAAT: --	1-19-72	91.7 mc #219	ERP: --		1-19-73
CP for New FM ED Station.					
BPED-1320(L) EBSA	4-10-72 5-15-72	Call letters assigned.			
BLED-997(L)	9-7-72	Lic(BPBD-1,320) for new station			4-1-73
BPED-571(S)	3-30-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-76
BPED-571(S)	3-12-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-79
BPED-781124UE (L)	3-22-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-82
BPED-790517AE HAAT: 490' (H&V) (L)	6-11-80	91.5mhz	ERP: 100kw (H&V)	RC	6-11-81
CP to chg. freq. & antenna system. Chg. TL, SL & RC. Install new antenna.					
MPED810224AD XXIX) (L)	4-9-81	Mod. of CP (BPED790517AE) to mke chgs in ant. sys., TL, SL type trans. type antenna & TPO. Incre. HAAT.			6-11-81
BSCA-810521AD	6-1-81	SCA On 67 KHz.			
BMPED810521AG	6-18-81	Mod of CP(BPED790517AE ax's mod) ext of completion date			12-4-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

91.7mc.

Call W U A L-FM  
Letters XNew\_Educ-FM

Name Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama (PO Corner Univ. Blvd. & Colonial Dr., Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35401)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,320 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: PRESS: 1 PN REC'd:	10-6-71 10-8-71 NOV 1971 11-18-71	CP for New Educ. FM on: 91.7mc. #219 TPO: 10 Watts. Trans: CCA-FM-10DS-T; Ant: General Electric- BY-6B, 6 sections. T-SL: University Blvd. & Colonial Dr., Tuscaloosa, Alabama. 33° 12' 33" - 87° 32' 57"  Atty----- Engr-----	GRANTED	1-19-72
AMENDED	1-3-72	Section VI		
BLED-997 R & F PTA PRESS	6-12-72 6-14-72 7-6-72 AUG 2 1972	Lic. (BPED-1,320, as mod.) for New FM Educ. B/c Station. Trans: CCA, FM-10DS.	GRANTED	9-7-72

PN mailed 10-28-71/

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WUAL-FM

Name BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-571 R & F P.N. PRESS JAN 12 1973	12-27-72 12-29-72 12-29-72	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-30-73
BRED-571 R & F PN Recd. PRESS DEC 29 1975	11-24-75 11-26-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-12-76
BRED781124UE PRESS JAN 26 1979		Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-22-79

Form BC-121  
May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WUAL-FMName Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED790517AE PRESS: CUT OFF DATE	JUN 25 1979	Construction permit to chg freq to 91.5MHz #218; incr ERP: 100KW ;HAAT: <del>531</del> chg TL:0.9 miles W of intersection of State Rt 215 and US 11, Tuscaloosa,Alabama; SL&RC: 914 Colonial Dr., Tuscaloosa,Alabama; install new ant (HARRIS FMH-6AC,6 sections H&V; make chgs in ant sys(incr hght) 33 11 27 87 28 20 MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 ATTY: M Scott Johnson	GRANTED	6-11-80
	AUG 8 1979		MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER	
	6-5-79		decription of public affain program	
AMENDED A MENDED	6-25-79	enr(decr HAAT: 488' and revised V-G		
	8-15-79	REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FILED 8-15-79 BY ATTY. M. SCOTT JOHNSON ON BEHALF OF BPED-790517AE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA (OVER)		

12-18-79

FURTHER OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY FILED BY M. SCOTT JOHNSON ON BEHALF OF  
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA (UNIVERSITY)



## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

91.7MHz.

Call Letters: W U A L-FM

Name: BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

Station Location: TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPED810224AD PRESS (0)	MAR 24 1981	<p>Mod. of CP (BPED-790517AE) To make chgs. in Ant. Sys.; chg. TL to: 2.5 Miles Northeast of Duncanville, Near Duncanville, Alabama; chg. SL to: 7 Bryce Lawn (University), Tuscaloosa, Alabama; chg. type Trans.; chg. type Ant. (HARRIS FMH 10 AC, 10 sects. H&amp;V); incre. HAAT: 523' (H&amp;V) &amp; chg. TPO.</p> <p>MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES.</p> <p>33° 05' 40" 87° 24' 47"</p> <p>Atty. M. Scott Johnson (Glaser, Fletcher &amp; Johnson)</p>	GRANTED 4-9-81 Con'd

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## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WUAL-FM

Name: Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama

Station Location: Tuscaloosa, Alabama

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMPED-810521AG PRESS:	(0) JUN 9 1981	MP(BPED-790517AE as mod.) for extension of time to: 12-1-81. (FOR CHANGES)  Atty - M. Scott Johnson	GRANTED 6-18-81 TO 12-4-81
BSCA810521AD PRESS (0)	JUN 9 1981	Request For Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a Subcarrier Frequency of 67KHz.  Atty. M. Scott John (Gardner, Carton & Douglas)	GRANTED: 6-1-81

## 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.

