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FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-29-79

Call letters W B L X

Station location Mobile, Alabama

Name of licensee TRIO BROADCASTERS, INC.

N. Side of Hwy. 31 at Junction with Hwy. 181, Spanish Fort, Alabama (PH-5-26-81)

xFirst National Bank Bldg., Mobile, Alabama (MPH-5-30-78) L 5-29-79

X 1 mi. E of Daphne, 10 mi. SE of Mobile Ala. (MPH 2-24-75)

Transmitter location x1st National Bank Building, 15 N. Royal, Mobile, Alabama (PH-7-7-72)

120 1/2 Dauphin St., Mobile, Ala. (10-12-78 L 5-29-79)

xVan Antwerp Bldg., Dauphin and Royal Sts. Mobile, Ala. (MPH 2-24-75)

Main studio location XSame as transmitter

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BPH-7197 HAAT: 470' (H&V)	7-7-72	92.9mc #225	ERP: 100kw(H&V) CP for New FM Station.		7-7-73 (RC)
BPH-7197(1) EBSA	9-11-72 2-27-73	Call letters assigned			
BMPH-13804 (2)	7-11-73	MP(BPH-7197)	Extension time to		12-7-73
BMPH-13,987 (3)	12-10-73	(MP(BPH-7197) as mod.)	Extension time		6-7-74
BMPH-14,183 (4)	6-19-74	MP(BPH-7197, as mod)	ext. to		12-7-74
BMPH-14,327 (5)	1-9-75	MP(BPH-7197, as mod)	ext to		6-1-75
BMPH-14365 HAAT: 430ft(H&V) (L)	2-24-75	92.9MHz. MP(BPH-7197, as mod)	ERP: 100kw(H&V) chg TL, SL& RC Loc and ant sys(decr. hght.)	U	6-1-75
BMPH-14,504(1)	7-14-75	MP(BPH-7197, as mod)	ext to		12-1-75
BMPH-14,690(2)	12-17-75	MP(BPH-7197, as mod)	ext		6-1-76
BMPH-14,841 {3}	6-30-76	MP{BPH-7197, as mod}	ext time to		12-1-76
BMPH-14972{4}	12-8-76	MP{BPH-7197, as mod}	ext time to		4-1-77
BMPH-15066 (5)	4-22-77	MP (BPH-7197, as mod)	ext time to		10-1-77
BMPH-15255 (6)	10-14-77	MP(BPH-7197, as mod)	ext time to		4-1-78
BPH-11064 HAAT: 430' (H&V) (L)	5-23-78	92.9mhz. #225	ERP: 100kw (H&V) (RC) CP replace expired permit (BPH-7197, as mod)	U	11-1-78
BMPH-15275 (1)	5-30-78	MP (BPH-11064, as reinstated)	to chg TL; chg Ant; mke chg ant sys (incr hght); chg ERP: 63kw (H&V) & HAAT: 460' (H&V)		
I.P.	10-12-78	Chg. SL			
PH781030AC	5-29-79	Lic. cover CP(BPH-11064)	for new stn. 92.9 63kw 460' H&V RC		4-1-82

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

FM

CARD # 2

First licensed

Call Letters WBLX

Station Location

Name SEE CARD # 1

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPH-810205AG HAAT: 740' (H&V) (L)	5-26-81	92.9mhz, ERP: 100kW (H&V) U CP to chg. TL; chg. type trans. chg. type Ant.; incre. ERP; incr. HAAT & chg. TPO.	5-26-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W B L X
Letters X NEW-FM

Name Trio Broadcasters, Inc.
Mobile, Alabama (PO Box 1355, Goldsboro, N. C. 27530)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-7197	6-29-70	CP for New FM on: 92.9mc. #225 ERP: 50kw(h&v)		
R & F	7-16-70	HAAT: 469' TPO: 9.39kw.	DESIGNATED FOR HEARDING	
#616453 \$75	7-16-70	Trans: Gates FM-10H ; Ant: Jampro-JCP-10, 10 sections	MAY 12 1971	19228
PRESS: JUL 7 1970				
PN REC'd:	8-17-70	TL: First National Bank Bldg., 15 N. Royal St., Mobile, Alabama. SL & RC: Same as Transmitter 30° 41' 33" - 88° 02' 30"	GRANTED	7-7-72
			Req. grant fee: \$1800 00	
			Paid: 016, 8-21-72, W101598	
		Atty - Richard Hildreth (Fletcher, Heald etc.) Engr - Howard L. Smith		
AMENDED	9-22-70	Section IV-A.		
AMENDED	10-2-70	Engr. Exhibits for Section VB. (Maps etc.)		
AMENDED	1-20-71	Engr. Data & Section III. chg. ERP: 100kw(h&v) TPO: 18.782kw.		
AMENDED	3-12-71	Section III.		
AMENDED By Order	5-24-71	Section IV-A & Section II.		
AMENDED (BY ORDER)	7-23-71	Section II, Exhibit No. I		
AMENDED (BY ORDER)	1-26-72	Sect. II, (updated - Exhibits on p.c. A-1, A-2 & A-3.		

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Call
Letters W.B.L.XName Trio Broadcasters, Inc.
Mobile, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-13,804 R & F #204772 \$50 Code 068 Press JUL 3 1973	6-22-73 6-25-73 6-25-73	MP (BPH-7197) ext. time to 9-30-73. (New Station) Atty: M. Scott Johnson	GRANTED TO:	7 11-73 12-7-73
BMPH-13,937 R & F #247237 \$50 Code 057 Press	10-19-73 10-30-73 10-31-73	MP (BPH-7197, as mod.) ext. time to 6-7-74. (New Station) Atty: Richard Hildreth (Fletcher, Heald etc.)	GRANTED TO:	12-10-73 6-7-74
BMPH-14,133 R & F #311497 \$50 Code 057 PRESS: JUN 12 1974	5-24-74 6-4-74 6-5-74	MP (BPH-7197) ext. time to 12-7-74. (New Station) Atty: Richard Hildreth	GRANTED TO	6-19-74 12-7-74

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Name Trio Broadcasters, Inc.
Mobile, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14,327 R & F #364964 \$50 Code 057 PRESS	11-13-74	MP(BPH-7197, as mod.) ext. time to _____ (New Station) Atty: Richard Hildreth	GRANTED TO	1-9-75
	11-15-74			6-1-75
	11-15-74			
NOV 27 1974				
BMPH-14,365 R & F #371568 \$50 Code 057 PRESS	12-3-74	Mod. of CP (BPH-7197, as mod) to change TL to: 1 mile E. of Daphne, 10 miles SE of Mobile, Alabama, (WMOO AM Site); chg. SL & RC to: Van Antwerp Bldg., Dauphin and Royal Streets, Mobile, Alabama; make chgs. in Ant. System (decr. hght.) 30° 35' 51" - 87° 52' 57"	GRANTED COND'L	2-24-75
	12-6-74			
	12-6-74			
JAN 3 1975				
AMENDED	2-21-75	Atty: Richard Hildreth (Fletcher, Heald, etc) Letter of Credit.		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W B L X

Name TRIO BROADCASTERS, INC.
MOBILE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14,504 R & F #434511\$100 Code 057 PRESS	5-22-75 5-30-75 6-4-75 JUN 16 1975	MP(BPH-7197, as mod.) ext. time to 12-1-75. (New Station) Atty: Richard Hildreth (Fletcher, Heald, etc)	GRANTED TO	7-14-75 12-1-75
BMPH-14,690 R & F #501405\$100 CODE 001 PRESS	11-14-75 11-20-75 11--25-75 DEC 2 1975	MP(BPH-7197, as mod) ext time to 6-1-76 (New Station) Atty. Richard Hildreth	GRANTED TO	12-17-75 6-1-76
BMPH-14841 R & F 974250\$100 CODE 001 PRESS	5-25-76 5-27-76 6-1-76 JUN 21 1976	MP{BPH-7197, as mod} ext time to 1-1-77 {New Station} Atty. Richard Hildreth	GRANTED TO	6-30-76 12-1-76

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

92.9MHz

Call
Letters W B L XName Trio Broadcasters, Inc.
Mobile, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-14972 R & F 637821#100 CODE 001 PRESS	11-15-76 11-18-76 11-19-76 DEC 2 1976	MP {BPH-7197, as mod} ext time to _____ {New Station} Atty. Harry C. Martin	GRANTED TO	12-8-76 4-1-77
BMPH-15066 R & F PRESS	3-2-77 3-4-77 MAR 10 1977	MP {BPH-7197, as mod} ext time to _____ {New Station} Atty. Richard Hildreth	GRANTED TO	4-22-77 10-1-77
BMPH-15255 R & F PRESS	9-1-77 9-6-77 SEP 20 1977	MP (BPH-7197, as mod) ext time to _____ NEW STN Atty. Richard Hildreth	GRANTED TO	10-14-77 4-1-78

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters
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Mobile, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-15275 R&F PRESS	9-16-77	MP (BPH-7197, as mod) chg TL to: First Nat'l Bank Bldg., Mobile, Alabama; chg Antenna (HARRIS, FMC-6, 6 sects H&V); mke chgs in Antenna system (incr hght); chg ERP (63.04 kw H&V) and HAAT (460 feet H&V) 30° 41' 33" - 88° 02' 30" Major Enviromental Action Under Section 1.1305 of Commission's Rules Atty. Vincent J. Curtis Engr. Silimen, Moffet, et al	ACCEPTED & GRANTED	5-30-78
	9-19-77			
	10-10-77			
BPH-11,064 R & F PRESS:	4-28-78	CP replace expired permit (BPH-7197, as mod) (NEW STATION) Atty: Alfred C. Frawley (Fletcher, Heald, etc.) ltr 5-25-78 agreement of interference	GRANTED	5-23-78 COND'L
	5-1-78			
	MAY 5 1978			

Card #7

92.9mHz

Form BC-121
May 1976

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Letters W B L XName TRIO BROADCASTERS, INC.
Mobile, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-781030AC PTA: PRESS:	1-5-79 APR 27 1979	License to cover (BPH-7191, as rein. & mod.) for NEW STATION Atty: Vincent J. Curtis, Jr. (FLETCHER, HEALD & HILDRETH)	GRANTED	5-29-79
BBPH810205AG PRESS (O)	MAR 16 1981	CP to chg. TL to: N. Side of Hwy. 31 at Junction with Hwy. 181, Spanish Fort, Alabama; chg. type Trans.; chg. type Ant. (HARRIS FMC-10B, 10 sects. H&V); incre. ERP: 100kw (H&V); incre. HAAT: 738.4' (H&V) & chg. TPO. 30° 40' 50" 87° 50' 23.5" Atty. David N. Sternlicht (Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth)	GRANTED:	5-26-81

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 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.

