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Form BC 126
June 1954 1082

FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-21-60

Call letters WVDA

Station location Huntsville, Alabama

WELLS BROADCASTING CO., INC. (AL 3-19-71 EFF: 5-1-71)

Name of licensee AUSTIN M. HUGHES AND MITCHELL JEROME HUGHES D/B AS HUGHES BROADCASTING COMP/ ^{ANY}

Transmitter location ²⁴⁰⁷
~~2409~~ 9th Avenue, S.W., Huntsville, Alabama

Main studio location ²⁴⁰⁷
~~2409~~ 9th Avenue, S.W., Huntsville, Alabama

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Class. Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPH-2968 HAAT: -50'	6-29-60	92.9mc Ch. 225	3.1kw	Unl.	6-29-60 2-28-61
Construction permit for a new FM Broadcast Station.					
BLH-1674 HAAT: -50'	11-21-60	92.9mc TOP: 1kw	3.1kw	Unl.	11-21-60 4-1-61
Lic. to cover cp (BPH-2986) for a new FM Broadcast Station.					
BPH-3182 HAAT: -50'	11-21-60	95.1mc Ch. 236	3.1-kw TOP: 1	Unl.	1-21-61 7-21-61
Construction permit to change frequency.					
	3-29-61	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BRH-1082	4-30-62	Renewal of license			4-30 4-1-64
BLH-1799 (1)	11-15-62	CH: 236	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3182) which auth. a chg. in freq. from 92.9mc to 95.1mc		
BRH-1082	3-13-64	95.1mc	3.1kw	U	4-1 4-1-67
BRH-1082	4-10-67	Renewal			4-10 4-1-70
BRH-1082(S)	4-1-70	RENEWAL			4-1-73
BALH-1473 EBSA	3-19-71 5-22-72	VOL. AL EFF: 5-1-71			
BPH-7965 HAAT: 110' (H&V)	8-22-72	95.1mc #236	ERP: 50kw (H&V)	Unl.	8-22-73
CP install new trans., new ant., make chgs. ant. system (incr. hgt.) chg. transmission line, chg. ERP, HAAT, TPO.					
BLH-5641 HAAT: 110'	1-15-73	LF	License (BPH-7965) chgs		4-1-73
		ERP 50kw (H&V)	95.1mc	TPO: 8.3kw	4-1-73
BRH-1082	4-13-73	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-76
BLH-5841(L)	6-19-73	Lic. to use former Main trans. & Ant. for Aux. Purposes Only.			
HAAT: -50'		ERP: 3.1kw			4-1-76
BPH-9118 HAAT: minus 50ft	9-11-74	95.1mhz	ERP: 3.1kw		9-11-75
CP move present aux ant to existing main tower. Auxiliary Purposes Only					

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HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA
Station location

Name of licensee SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEE CARD #1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRH-1082(L)	3-12-76	RENEWAL	(MAIN, AUX. & ANT.)		4-1-79

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

Austin M. Hughey and Mitchell Jerome Hughey
 Name dba HUGHEY BROADCASTING COMPANY
 (P.O. - 4121 Holmes Ave., N.W., Huntsville, Ala)

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Letters new - W H D A

Station location - Huntsville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-2968 Rec'd Resub R & F	3-8-60 3-25-60 4-6-60 4-7-60	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 92.9mc CH 225 ERP - 3.071kw Type transmitter - GATES FM 1B Type antenna - ANDREW 1304-2 (4 section) HAAT Minus 50.2 ft Trans. location - 2409 9th Ave., S.W. Huntsville, Alabama Studio location - Same as transmitter Atty. - Samuel Miller (6-3-60)	REF'D - 3-28-60 Dated wrong GRANTED	6-29-60
BLH-1674 R & F	9-29-60 9-30-60	License to cover C.P. (BPH-2968) for a new FM broadcast station. Atty: Samuel Miller	GRANTED	11-21-60
BPH-3182 Rec'd & Filed	11-3-60 11-7-60	Construction permit change frequency (95.1mcs.) CH 236	GRANTED	11-21-60

Aug. 1955

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Letters WYDA

Name AUSTIN N. HUGHEY AND MITCHELL JEROME HUGHEY
d/b as HUGHEY BROADCASTING COMPANY
Huntsville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1082 Rec'd & Filed	1-3-61 3-1-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-30-62
BIH-1799 R & F	2-21-61 2-24-61	License to cover C.P. (BPH-3182) which authorized a change in frequency from 92.9mc to 95.1mc Atty. Samuel Miller	GRANTED	11-15-62
BRH-1082 Rec'd Filed	12-30-64 12-31-63 12-31-63	Renewal of license Atty. Samuel Miller	GRANTED	3-13-64
BRH-1082 R & F	12/9/66 12/29/66	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-10-67

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

95.2mc

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Letters W N D A

Name AUSTIN M. HIGHEY AND MITCHELL JEROME HIGHEY, D/B AS HIGHEY BROADCASTING COMPANY
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH- Rec'd #532637 \$75 49 1969	7-31-69 8-4-69 8-4-69	CP chg. Trans & studio loc. to Old Ridge Rd., Huntsville, Alabama; trans(Gates-FM-7/5B); ant(Gates-FMC-8, 8 sects); make chgs. in ant. system(incr. hght); TPO 7.50kw; ERP: 31.65kw; operate with vert. ERP 31.65kw; & chg. HAAT to 482.29 ft. 34° 47' 44" - 86° 38' 20"	RETURNED (short. spacing)	8-28-69
BRH-1082 R & F #564951 \$75 PN PRESS	12-13-69 12-16-69 12-16-69 1970	Renewal of license Attv- Samuel Miller AMENDED 3-16-70 re: programming AMENDED 3-26-70 re: financial & programming statement	GRANTED	4-1-70
BALH-1173 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 \$655198 CODE 047	1-4-71 1-7-71	Voluntary assignment of license to Frederic B. Wells and Maureen M. Wells, dba WELLS BROADCASTING COMPANY (SEE CARD #4 FOR AMENDMENT) Attv - Samuel Miller	GRANTED EFF: (SEE CARD #4)	3-19-71 5-1-71

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

95.1mc

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WELLS BROADCASTING CO., INC.

Name **X Austin M. Hughey and Mitchell Jerome Hughey dba HUGHEY BROADCASTING COMPANY**
Huntsville, Alabama

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BALH-1473 AMENDMENT R & F FEB 16 1971	(CONT'D) 2-5-71 2-8-71	AMENDED to chge assignee to WELLS BROADCASTING CO., INC. (pending) AMENDED 2-16-71 (licensee) to reflect TC-6509 AMENDED 2-18-71 - Sec.VI AMENDED 3-12-71 - re employment practices	GRANTED Req. grant fee \$1,900.00 ERP: 5-1-71 Fee paid 5-11-71.W 005565.	3-19-71
BPH-7965 R & F #086433 \$200 Code 015 Press JUL 8 1972 P. N. Rec'd 7-10-72 7-14-72	6-24-72 6-27-72 6-27-72 8 1972 7-10-72 7-14-72	CP to install new trans. (RCA BTF-10E); install new ant. (Gates FMC-12B, 12 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (increase height); chg. transmission line; chg. ERP: 50.0KW(H&V); HAAT: 108' (H&V). Atty: Samuel Miller	GRANTED req. grant fee: \$1800 Paid:016,10-11-72,W117526	8-22-73
BLH-5611 Rec'd 122446-\$50. Amended Amended & F PTX PRESS NOV 28 1972 OVER	10-26-72 10-27-72 10-27-72-AC-068 11-1-72 11-6-72 11-9-72 28 1972 OVER	Lic.(BPH-7965) for changes. Trans: RCA, BTF- 10C. Atty: Samuel Miller freq. meas. freq. check - New transmitter	GRANTED	1-15-73

BLH-5641 - Amended 11-13-72 - Engr. data

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HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1082 R & F PN Recd. PRESS FEB 7 1973	12-7-72 12-26-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-13-73
BLH-5841 R & F W 184868-\$50. AC-068 PTA PRESS MAY 30 1973	5-4-73 5-11-73 5-11-73 5-22-73	Lic. to use former Main trans.(GATES, FM-1B) and Antenna(ANDREWS, 1304-2, 4 sects.) for Auxiliary purposes only. ERP: 3.1kw - HAAT minus 50'.	GRANTED	6-19-73
BPH-9118 R & F #336432 \$50 Code 057 Press AUG 30 1974	8-15-74 8-16-74 8-21-74	Construction permit to move present Auxiliary Antenna to existing Main Tower.	GRANTED	9-11-74

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Letters W N D AName WELLS BROADCASTING CO., INC.
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1082 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-1-75 11-11-75 " NOV 28 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA)	GRANTED	3-12-76
BRH781129UK PRESS JAN 31 1979		Renewal of License (Main & Aux. & Antenna) Samuel Miller, Atty.	<i>gr</i>	<i>3-27-79</i>

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.

