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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-9-50

WQSB (Eff: 8-15-66)

Call letters XWAVU - FM

STATION LOCATION: Albertville, Alabama

SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC. (ALH gr 5/6/76 EFF:

x PAT MURPHY COURINGTON & IVO H. SPARKMAN, D/B AS SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING

Name of licensee x PAT MURPHY COURINGTON

SERVICE (Gr. 7/6 Eff. 7/6)

redes: 2240 Hooper Drive, Albertville, Alabama (PH 5-21-76)

LIC.

X 1.5 miles SE city limits On Route 431, Albertville, ALA. (Redescription 2-4-56)

X US Route 241, 1.5 miles SE of city limits, Albertville, Alabama (CP 11-30-55)

Transmitter location X U. S. Hwy. #241, 2 1/2 miles SE of Albertville, Alabama

redes: 2240 Hooper Drive, Albertville, Alabama (PH 5-21-76)

X Highway 431, Albertville, Alabama (BRCH 11-21-66)

X 103 1/2 Simson St., Albertville, Ala. (BRCH 1-15-65)

35450 x 1.5 Miles SE city limits On Route 431, Albertville, Alabama (Lic. 2-4-56)

Main studio location X 338 East Baltimore, Albertville, Alabama

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BAPH-122	7-6-49	Assignment of C.P. to Pat Murphy Courington & Ivo H. Sparkman, d/b as Sand Mountain Broadcasting Service.			
BPH-1507	6-8-49	105.1	3.2 kw	360 ft.	By 10-31-49
MPH-3666	8-31-49				to 4-30-50
mailed	9-9-49				
Telegram	11-18-49	Retel 18. Auth. gr. period ending 1-18-50 op. 105.1 mcs. using WE 604 B-2 trans. with 3 kw. max. output power and Raytheon RFW-1B ant. mounted 30 ft. above ground at WAVU trans. site for purpose prov. FM prog. serv.			
Telegram	1-17-50	Retel 16. Auth. ext. period ending 2-18-50 op. accord. Com. wire 11-18-49			
Telegram	2-20-50	Retel 16. Auth. ext. period ending 3-18-50 op. accord. Com. wire 11-18-49			
Telegram	3-14-50	Retel 11. Auth. ext. period ending 4-30-50 op. accord. Com. wire 11-18-49			
MPH-4063	3-28-50	105.1	4.5 kw.	360 ft.	To 4-30-50
Change ERP; type of		trans. & ant. sys.			
Telegram	4-27-50	Retel 25. Auth. mod. and ending 5-30-50 op. using fac. specified in BMPH-4063 re FM prog. serv. Subject immediate filing 701 for ext. of time.			
BMPH-4155	5-8-50	Extension of completion date to 7-1-50			
Telegram	5-31-50	Retel 29. Auth. ext. period ending 7-1-50 op. using fac. in BMPH-4155.			
BLH-647	8-9-50	105.1	4.5kw	360 ft.	8-9-50 to 12-1-51
Lic1	to cover CP(BPH-1507 as mod.)				
BSH-549	11-28-51	Extension of license to			3-1-52
BSE-549	2-27-52	Ext. of license to			6-1-52
BRH-549	3-26-52	Renewal of license to			4-1-55
Better	3-13-53	STA waive Sec 3.261 Rules operate same hours as AM station WAVU to 9-1-53			
Letter	10-6-53	STA operate same hours as AM station to 5-1-54			
Letter	5-21-54	Ext STA same as above to 11-1-54			

Form BC-126

June 1954

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Call letters **KVAVU - FM**

Name of licensee **PAT MURPHY COURINGTON & IVO H. SPARKMAN d/b as SAN MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE**

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
Letter	11-8-54	Ext. STA	waive sec. 3.261		oper same 4-1-55
		hours as	AM sta. to		
Letter	4-1-55	EXT. STA	operate same hours as		
		AM station(Sunrise to sunset)	period ending 5-2-55		Cond
LETTER	5-6-55	EXT. STA	waive 3.261 operate same hours		
		as AM(sunrise to sunset)	(CONDITION) period to		11-4-55
Action of Renewal Deferred on 3-30-55					
BPH-549	6-29-55	Renewal of license to			4-1-58 (S)
BPH-2024	11-30-55	CP change transmitter site-			1-30-56
		105.1mcs.ERP 4.5kw-Terr:360'-			7-30-56
WIRE	3-2-56	RELET 1-24-56 & 2-23-56/	(BPH-2024) remain		5-1-56
		Silent			
WIRE	6-11-56	RETEL 8	Auth_ext. remain silent to		7-10-56
WIRE	8-1-56	AUTH. PROGRAM TESTS (BPH-2024)	pend. license		
BLH-1133	9-4-56	License cover BPH-2024(changes,ERP and			
		redescribe transmitter & studio locations)			4-1-58 (L)
		- Ter: 360ft.- 105.1mcs. 4.7kw, U			
TELEGRAM	3-28-58	Action on renewal deferred	3-27-58 and		
		continued operation authorized until final determination			
		on application.			
BRH-549	9-3-58	Renewal of license		9-3	4-1-61
BRH-549	3-29-61	Renewal of license		4-1	4-1-64
BPH-3983	1-23-63	105.1mcs ERP:4.7kw Unl.	3-23		9-23-63
HAAT:360'		Ch.286 TPO:2.9kw			
		CP to install new trans. (Gates FM-5B).chg tpo(Cond			
Letter	11-29-63	BPH-3983 FORFEITED	9-23-63		
BPH-3720	10-14-63	105.1mcsERP:20kw Unl.	12-14		6-14-64
HAAT:320'		Ch.286 TPO: 3.6kw			
		CP to incr. ERP; decr. HAAT; install new trans.			
		(Gates FM-5B); chg. TPO; & install new ant.(Andrew			
		Multi-V, 8 secs.) (Cond'1).			
	3-25-64	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL			
		PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BRH-549	3-31-64	Renewal of License			
				4-1	4-1-67

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Call letters X WAVU-FM

Station location _____

Name of licensee _____

Transmitter location _____

Main studio location _____

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From: To:
BLH-2516 9-24-64	Lic to cover CP (BLH-3720) which auth changes to HAAT, ERP, & TPO, & install new trans and new ant.	105.1mc TPO: 3kw	20kw	320'	9-24-64 to 4-1-67

BSCA-570	12-18-64	Subsidiary communications authorization on approx. 67kcs to			4-1-67

BHCH-578 (1)	1-15-65	Mod of lic to chg studio location to 103 1/2 Simpson St., Albertville, Ala. and operate trans by remote control from studio.			

BRCH-770 (2)	1-21-66	Mod. of license to change studio location and remote control point to Hwy. 431, Albertville, Alabama.			
SCA will not be Renewed per ltr. 1-30-67					

BRH-549 HAAT: 320'	3-29-67	105.1mc CH 286	20kw TPO: 3.6kw	Un (RC)	4-1 4-1-70
BSCA-866	5-15-68	SCA on a frequency of 67 kilocycles			
BPH-549(S) BRSCA-866	4-1-70	Renewal Renewal of SCA			4-1-73
BRSCA-866	4-1-70	SUPERSEDED TO SHOW CORRECT FILE NO.			

EBSA BRH-549 (S)	5-22-72 5-7-73	Renewal of License			4-1-76
BRH-549(S)	3-12-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-79
BALH-2272	5/6/76	Vol ALH EFF:			
BPH-9884 HAAT: 320' {L}	5-21-76	105.1MHz	ERP: 20kw {H&V}	5-21-77	
		CP chg TPO, ERP, HAAT, Trans, Ant; redescrbe TL, RC, SL			
BSCA-1735	6-27-77	SCA on 67 kilohertz			4-1-79
BTC-8550	12-30-77	Vol rel. of pos con			EFF: 2-17-78
BPH-11113 HAAT: 310' (L)	11-1-78 (H&V)	105.1mhz	ERP: 100.0kw (H&V)	11-1-79	
		CP to chg. ERP HAAT chg type trans type antenna.			

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Station location

Name of licensee SEE CARD # 1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FM (CLASS B)

PAT MURPHY COURINGTON & IVO H. SPARKMAN, D/B AS SAND

Call

MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE (Gr. 7/6/49; Eff. 7/6/49)

Letters ~~NEW~~ W A V U - FM

Name * PAT MURPHY COURINGTON

(P. O. Albertville, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-1507	10-20-48	Construction permit for new FM broadcast station (Class B) to be operated on	GRANTED	6-8-49 subj.
Rec'd.	10-25-48	Frequency: 98.7 Mcs. Channel 254	approv. mod. of AM	
Filed	10-25-48	Effective Radiated Power: 2.16 kw. Antenna height above average terrain: 368 ft. Transmitter: U. S. Hwy. #241, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Albertville, Alabama. (Gates BF-1A Max. 1 kw.) Studio: 338 E. Baltimore, Albertville, Ala. Additional Engr. information rec'd. 11-24-48 correcting coordinates and antenna height above mean sea level.	(not issued)	
AMENDED	5-4-49	Amended to change frequency from Ch#254, 98.7	GRANTED	8-31-49
Recd.	5-5-49	mcs. to Ch#286, 105.1 mcs.	Issued with BPH-3666	
Filed	5-5-49			

Engineer: James R. Croy

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 Name **PAT MURPHY COURINGTON & IVO H. SPARKMAN, d/b as SAND MOUNTAIN B/C SERVICE**
Albertville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAPH-122 Rec'd Filed	5-10-49 5-18-49 7-1-49	Assignment from Pat Murphy Courington to Pat Murphy Courington & Ivo H. Sparkman, d/b as Sand Mountain Broadcasting Service.	Granted Eff. 7-6-49	7-6-49
BMPH-3666 Rec'd. Filed	7-16-49 7-20-49 7-20-49	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1507) which authorized a New FM broadcast station to change ERP from 2.15 kw. to 3.24 kw., antenna height above average terrain from 370 ft. to 360 ft., type of transmitter to Gates BP-3D Max. 3 kw., and make changes in the antenna system.	GRANTED BPH-1507 issued with this mod. C.P. exps. 4-30-50	8-31-49
BMPH-4063 Rec'd & Filed	2-21-50 2-23-50	Mod. of C.P. (BPH-1507 as mod.) to change ERP from 3.2 kw. to 4.7 kw.; transmitter to WE, 504-B-2, 3 kw. and make changes in antenna system.	GRANTED	3-28-50
BMPH-4155 Recd. Filed	4-28-50 5-1-50 5-1-50	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1507 as mod.) which authorized a new FM broadcast station for extension of competition date from 4-30-50 to 7-1-50.	GRANTED	5-8-50

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SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ELH-647 Recd & Filed	6-24-50 6-30-50	License to cover C.P. (BPH-1607 as mod.) which authorized a new FM b/c station	GRANTED	8-9-50
BRH-549 Recd. & Filed	8-29-51 8-31-51	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-26-52
BRH-549 Recd. & Filed	1-1-55	Renewal of license.	Amend. recd. 6-8-55 signed by G. Eng. GRANTED 6-29-55	
	1-3-55	Amend. recd. 6-20-55 re Item 10 (a) (b) (c)		
BPH-2024 Recd. & Filed	4-1-55 4-4-55	C. P. to make changes in licensed station to change ERP to 4.7 kw. move T-L. to Rt. 241, 1.5 mi. S. E. of City Limits, S. E. of Albertville, Alabama. & move present tower, & antenna.	GRANTED	11-30-55
BLH-1133 Recd & filed	7-30-56 7-31-56	License to cover the above, (BPH-2024) for changes in existing station, and redescribe transmitter and studio locations.	GRANTED	9-4-56

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Name **Pat. Murphy & Ivo H. Sparkman d/b as
Sand Mountain Broadcasting Service.**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-549	12-31-57	Renewal of license	Application returned	
Rec'd	1-14-58		2-7-58 Re:	
Resub,	12-31-57		Incompleteness	
Rec'd	2-19-58		App. returned 2-24-58	
Resub	2-28-58		Re: Notation	
Rec'd	3-12-58		GRANTED	9-3-58
Filed	3-12-58			
BRH-549	12-31-60	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-29-61
Rec'd & Filed	1-5-61			
BRH-3720	3-26-62	Construction permit to increase ERP from 4.7kw to 20kw; decrease HAAT from 360 ft to 323 ft; install new transmitter (GATES FM 5B) (TPO 3.58kw) and new antenna (ANDREW MULTI-V, 8 section)	COND'L RE	WAVU SUBMIT
R & F	3-28-62		GRANTED	10-14-63
		Engr. - Claude M. Gray, Birmingham, Ala.		

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Aug. 1955

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PAT MURPHY COURINGTON & IVO H. SPARKMAN d/b as

Name SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE
Albertville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3983 R & F	11-6-62 11-13-62	Construction permit to install new trans (Gates-FM5B) and transmission line.	GRANTED Cond'l re WAVU submit	1-23-63
FORFEITED 9-23-63 (let. 11-29-63) 302a				
BRH-549 Filed Rec'd	12-30-63 2-3-64 2-3-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-31-64
BLH-2516 R & F	1-30-64 2-3-64	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3720) which auth chgs to HAAT, MFP and TPO and install new trans and new ant.	GRANTED	9-24-64
BSCA-570 Received Filed	11-17-64 11-20-64 11-27-64	Request for subsidiary communications authorization on sub-carrier frequency of 67kcs.	GRANTED	12-18-64
BRCH-578 Rec'd Filed	1-8-65 1-12-65 1-12-65	Mod. of license to change main studio location to 103 1/2 Simpson Street, Albertville, Alabama and operate transmitter by Remote Control from studio	GRANTED	1-15-65

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Albertville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-770 R & F	11-11-66 11-16-66	Modification of license to change studio location and remote control point to Hwy. 431, Albertville, Alabama.	GRANTED	11-21-66
BRH-549 R. & F.	12-1-66 1-5-67	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-29-67
BSCA-866 R & F #421646 \$300	4-17-68 4-18-68 4-18-68	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kcs.	GRANTED	5-13-68
BRH-549 R & F #569040 \$75 P.N.	12-31-69 1-6-70 1-6-70 1-6-70	Renewal of License AMENDED 3-13-70 re: commercial matter FEB 26 1970	GRANTED	4-1-70
BRSCA-866 R & F #583325 \$10	3-4-70 3-9-70	Renewal of SCA	GRANTED	4-1-70

Forms sent 2-25-70 for SCA renewal

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SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.
* PAT MURPHY COURINGTON & IVO H. SPARKMAN d/b as

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Name **SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE**
ALBERTVILLE, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-549 R & F PN Recd. PRESS FEB 23 1973	12-29-72 1-2-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 4-19-73 re: business interests; ascert. of comm. needs; emp. policy	GRANTED	5-7-73
BRH-549 R & F PN Recd. PRESS DEC 10 1975	11-24-75 12-3-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-12-76
BPH- Rec'd PRESS APR 2 1976	3-16-76 3-22-76	CP to install new trans. (Harris FM7.5H3); install new ant. (Harris Dual Cycloid 11 FMC-7B); chg. TPO.	Returned Filed on Form 340; fee not submitted.	3-31-76
BALH-2272 R & F Fee pd \$100 Code 047 (FORM 316) Also see WAVU(AM) MAY 3 1976	4/21/76 4/23/76 W 559779	Voluntary assignment of license to SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC. Atty - Becker, <u>Gurman</u> & Lukas	GRANTED EFT: NO FEE:	5/6/76

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Name **Sand Mountain Broadcasting Service, Inc.**
Albertville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9889 R & F #5600748\$100 Code 001 PRESS	4-15-76 4-23-76 4-27-76 MAY 13 1976	CP to redescribe TL, SL & RC as: 2240 Hooper Drive, Albertville, Alabama; install new trans. (Harris FM 7.5H3); install new ant. (Harris FMC-7B, 7 sects.(H&V); chg. TPO; chg. ERP: 20kw(H&V); HAAT: 323 ft.(H&V)	GRANTED COND:L	5-21-76
BSCA-1735 R & F PRESS	5-20-77 5-26-77 JUN 22 1977	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 KHz. Atty--	GRANTED	6-27-77
BTC-8550 R & F FORM 316 Also see WAVU(AM) JAN 4 1978	12/16/77 12/20/77	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic corp by Pat M. Courington, Sr. thru transfer of stock to Pat M. Courington, Jr.	GRANTED EFF:	12-30-77 2-17-78

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May 1976

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Name SAND MOUNTAIN BROADCASTING SERVICE, INC.

Albertville, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH- 11113 Rec'd Filed PRESS: JUL 7 1978	4-19-78 5-9-78 5-9-78	Construction permit to chg ERP: 100KW(H&V); HAAT: 313'(H&V); type trans (HARRIS FM-20H); type ant (HARRIS FMS-10, 10 sects (H&V) ATTY: Louis Gurman ENGR: B Scott Baxter(Brentwood, Tennessee)	GRANTED	11-1-78
BRH 781130VN BRSCA " PRESS FEB 14 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED Issued with	5-30-80 BLH790910AH
BLH-790910AH PRESS JAN 24 1980		License to cover (BPH-11113) for changes. Atty: None	GRANTED Issued with renewal	12-11-80

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.

