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(Official #73)Call letters WBRC-TV
(Station Loc: Birmingham, Ala.)

TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY (BAPLCT-31 6-25-59 EFF: 7-1-59)

X WBRC, INC. (BAICT-45 5-8-57 EFF: 5-23-57)

X STORER BROADCASTING COMPANY (BAPCT-153 gr. 5-26-55 Eff:

Name of licensee XBIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

~~Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama (BLCT-993, 8-31-60)~~X Red Mountain,
Transmitter location ~~Top of Red Mt.~~ Birmingham, Alabama~~Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama (BLCT-993, 8-31-60)~~X Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama
~~Top of Red Mt.~~ Birmingham, Ala. (7-6-49)

Main studio location x1727 1/2 E. 2nd Avenue, Birmingham, Ala.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPCT-245	1-30-48	Ch. #4, 66-72 mcs.	Eff. rad. power: Vis. 14.5 kw Aur. 7.7 kw	U	3-30-48 9-30-48
P. for a new commercial television b/c station.					
BPCT-292	12-22-48	Same	Same	Same	3-30-48 9-30-49
Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-245) for ext. of completion date.					
BMPCT-532	6-3-49	Same	Same	Same	3-30-48 9-1-49
Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod.) for ext. of completion date					
Wire provided	6-17-49	No objection commence equipment test strict compliance Section 3.616.			
6-22-49 STA operate on comm. basis accord. with current CP except Dumont trans. antenna height above average terrain 531 Ft. ERP 12.2 kw, vis; 6.1 kw aur. Operating power output 4.2 kw, vis; and 2 kw aur. period 6-22-49 to 9-1-49					
BMPCT-560	7-6-49	Same	Vis. 12.2 kw Aur. 6.1 kw	Same	3-30-48 9-1-49
Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod.) to decrease ERP, change studio location, type of transmitters and changes antenna.					
BMPCT-560	7-6-69	same	same	same	same
Superseding authorization to change lighting specifi- cations from A-2-A-1 to A-3-A (per Engr. memo.					
BPCT-575	6-23-49	Same	Same	Same	3-30-48 4-1-50
Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod.) for ext. of completion date.					
8-29-49 EXT. OF STA. to operate on a commercial basis in exact accordance with CP, for period 9-2-49 to 11-29-49.					
11-23-49 EXT STA operate on comm. basis etc. period 11-30-49 to 2-28-50.					
BMPCT-702	3-1-50	Same	Same	Same	3-30-48 10-1-50
Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod.) for ext. of completion date.					
3-1-50 EXT of SEA to operate on a comm. basis etc. period 3-1-50 to 10-1-50.					

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Name of licensee BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.....

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
BNPCT-761	8-28-50	Same	Same	Same	3-30-48 4-1-51
Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod.) for ext. of completion date.					
	9-26-50	Ext of STA to operate on a comm. basis etc. period 10-2-50 to 4-1-51			
BLCT-97	4-30-51	Ch. 4, V-12.2 kv 66-72 mcA- 6.1 kv	U		4-20-51 2-1-52
License to cover CP (BPCT-245 as mod.)					
	3-9-51	STA to operate with facilities specified in current license, except for vis. & aural transmitter output power of 5 kw and 2.5 kw, respectively. Period 1-0-51 to 4-1-52 CONDITIONAL CLAUSE			
BRCT-73	1-30-52	Same	Same	Same	2-1-52 4-1-52
Renewal of license					
	1-31-52	EXT STA to operate with facilities specified in current license, except for vis. & aural trans output power of 5 kw & 2.5 kw, respectively Period 2-1-52 to 4-1-52 CONDITIONAL			
BRCT-73	3-26-52	Same	Same	Same	4-1-52 4-1-53
Renewal of license					
	3-28-52	EXT STA to operate with facilities specified in current license, etc., period 4-1-52 to 10-1-52. Conditional Clause			
BPCT-857	7-17-52	Ch. #6 32-38 mcA- 50 kw	V-100 kw	U	9-17-52 3-17-53
Construction permit to change frequency, ERP, install new transmitters and change type of antenna.					
	10-1-52	EXT STA to operate with equipment specified in current license, and with visual and aural trans. output power of 5 kw and 2.5 kw, respectively. Period 10-1-52 to 4-1-53			
BNPCT-901	10-17-52	Same	Same	Same	12-17-52 6-17-53
Mod. of CP (BPCT-857 which authorized changes in existing Commercial TV B/C Station) to change type of antenna, transmitter output power and antenna height above average terrain.					

See Case #3

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
	Wire	2-9-53	STA to operate on a commercial basis in accord. with CP(BMPCT-901) except for use of DuMont Series 1000 and 2000 trans. Vis. & Aur. trans. output power 5kw and 2.5kw, respectively. Period 2-9-53 to 6-17-53.		
BFC-1479	5-20-53	Voluntary transfer control of license & permittee corporation from Eloise H. Hanna to Storer Broadcasting Company			
BACT-73	3-4-53	SAME Cancellation of License		SAME	4-1-53 4-1-54
BACT-73	3-4-53	SAME	SAME	SAME	4-1-53 4-1-54 Superseding authorization to include conditional clause.
	Wire	5-22-53	Ext. STA operate commercial basis accord. BMPCT-901 except use of Dumont Series 1000 & 2000 trans. output power 5 KW Vis. & 2.5 KW Aur. Period 6-17-53 to 12-17-53.		
BMPCT-1099	5-22-53	same	same	same	12-17-52 12-17-53 Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-857) to extend completion date.
BMPCT-1614	12-7-53	same	same	same	12-17-52 6-17-54 Mod. of CP(BPCT-857, as mod. to extend compl. date
12-15-53	EXT. STA,	Opr. Comm. basis accord. C.P. BMPCT-1614, exp. using Dumont Series 1000 & 2000 transm., power output 5 KW Visual, 2.5 KW Aural & without frequency & Mod. monitoring equip. Period Ending 6-17-54			
BMPCT-2128	5-21-54	Same	Same	Same	12-17-52 12-17-54 Mod. of CP(BPCT-857 as mod.) for ext. of completion date and conversion of obstruction marking specifications.
6-11-54	EXT. STA,	Opr. Comm. basis accord. BMPCT-2128, exp. using Dumont Series 1000 & 2000 trans. power output 5 kw vis., 2.5 kw aur. & without frequency & Mod. monitoring equip. Period ending 12-17-54.			
Wire	6-24-54	STA granted 6-11-54 hereby modified to permit operation comm. basis exact accord. with CP BMPCT-2128 for period ending 12-17-54.			

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CARD # 4

COMMERCIAL TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Name of licensee BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC......

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-
BPCT-1897	10-5-54	CH #6	--	--	12-5-54
Aux. Transm.		82-88			4-4-55
CP to install an Aux. Tra. on Red Mountain (Main Trans. Site)					
WIRE	11-12-54	STA Opr.	Aux. transmitter	on Comm. basis	accord CP (BPCT-1897 pending filing of Lic. appl. transmitter to be used for emergency, test & maint. purposes only. Period ending 4-4-55.
BMPCT-2665	12-17-54	same	same	same (Long Form)	12-5-54
MAIN TR. & ANT. Mod.		CP (BPCT-857, as mod)			to extend com. 6-17-55
WIRE	12-17-54	EXT. STA Opr.	Comm. basis	accord CP BMPCT 2665 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Per. end. 3-17-55.	
WIRE	3-2-55	EXT STA Opr.	Comm. basis	accord CP BMPCT-2665 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Period Ending 6-17-55.	
BMPCT-2969	3-22-55	same	same	same	12-5-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-1897)					to extend completion date 10-4-55 (AUX. TRANS)
WIRE	3-22-55	EXT STA Opr.	Aux. Trans.	Comm. basis for Emerg. Test, & Maint. purposes	accord CP BMPCT-2969 pending filing of Lic. appl. Auth. expires 6-17-55.
BAPCT-158	5-26-55	Voluntary assignment of CP's (Main Transmitter & Antenna and Aux. Transmitter) from Birmingham Broadcasting Company, Inc. to Storer Broadcasting Company.			
WIRE	6-17-55	EXT. STA Opr.	Aux. Transm.	Comm. basis for EMERG, TEST & MAINT. purposes	accord CP BMPCT-2969 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 10-4-55.
BMPCT-3382	9-7-55	same	same	same	12-5-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-1897)					to ext. completion date 4-4-56 (Aux. Trans)
WIRE	9-12-55	EXT STA Opr.	Aux. transmitter	accord. CP BMPCT-3382 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Auth. expires 4-4-56	
BPCT-2028	11-3-55	CH #6	--	For testing.	1-3-56
AUX. ANT		82-88		Maint. & Emerg.	4-4-56
CP to install AUX. ANT. SYS. near the MAIN TRANSM. SITE.					
BLCT-321	4-10-56	CH #6	100 kw	U	4-10-56 4-1-58
AH 880 ft		82-88	50 kw		(Main Trans. & Ant)
License to cover CP (BPCT-857, as mod):					

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COMM. TV B/C

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Name of licensee BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

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
BLCT-438	10-23-56	CH. #6	- -	- -	10-23-56 4-1-58
AUX. TRANS. & ANT 82-88mcs.					
License to cover CP(BPCT-1897, as mod.) for aux. trans. & BPCT-2028 for an aux. ant. system.					
BALCT-45	5-8-57	Voluntary assignment of license to WBRC, INC.			EFF: 5-23-57
TELEGRAM	3-28-58	Action on renewal deferred			3-27-58 and continued operation authorized until final determination on application.
RENEWAL OF LICENSE FOR TRANS. AND ANTENNA					
BRCT-73	5-7-58	CH # 6	V-100 kw	U	6-1-58
MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA		82-88	A- 50 kw		4/6-1-61
AH 880' RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-73	5-7-58	CH # 6	V- Test, mainten-		6-1-58
AUX TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA		82-88	A- ance, emerg.		4/6-1-61
AH: 460' RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BPCT-2577	12-22-58	CH # 6	V-100 kw	U	2-22-59
AH: 880' (Main T & A)		82-88	A- 50 kw	(MAIN TRANS & ANTENNA)	8-22-59
CP make equip. chgs. permit WTAF(FM) utilize WBRC-TV transmission lines and ant. as radiating sys. for FM Station					
BPCT-2449	2-13-59	CH #6	V-100 kw	U	4-13-59
AH: 1120'		82-88	A-50 kw	MSL:1802'	10-13-59
CP to install a new ant. sys., make minor equipment changes					
* AH. MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					(CONDITION)
BMPCT-5312	6-1-59	CH #6	V-100 kw	U	4-13-59
AH: 1110'		82-88	A-50 kw	MSL:1802'	11-29-59
MAIN TRANS. & ANT.					(CONDITION)
Mod. of CP (BPCT-2449) to install new ant. sys., chg. AH, equipm. minor chg. in co-ordinates.					
Voluntary assignment of construction permit and license to WTAF (FM) station.					
WIB	11-13-59	RE LIC. APPL. BLCT-993, AUTH. GR. OPR. WBRC-TV Main TRANS. & ANT. ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 3.629			EFF: 7-1-59
Rules & CP BPCT-5312.					
CP BPCT-2449 closed files as most was					
S. 11-13-59					

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Station location

Birmingham, Ala.

Name of licensee

TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location

See card #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPCT-2767	4-15-60	CH #6	V-100 kw	U	6-15-60
AH: 1110'		82-88	A- 50 kw	MSL: 1802'	12-15-60
CP to make changes in the antenna system. MAIN TRANS. & ANT.					
BLCT-993	8-31-60	CH #6	V-100 kw	U (COND)	8-31-60
AH: 1110'		82-88	A-50 kw	MSL: 1802'	4-1-61
LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-2449, as mod) which auth. changed in existing station and re-describe studio and trans. locat.					
WIRE 10-20-60 RE BLCT-1073, AUTH. GRANTED OPERATE WBRC-TV MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORDANCE SECTION 3.629 RULES & CONSTRUCTION PERMIT BPCT-2767.					
BRCT-73	3-29-61	Same	Same	Same	4-1-61
4-1-64					
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-73	3-29-61	same	same	same	4-1-61
4-1-64					
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BTC-3779	7-6-61	VOLUNTARY RELINQUISHMENT OF POSITIVE CONTROL OF LICENSEE CORPORATION BY DAVID S. INGALLS AND ROBERT TAFT, JR., TRUSTEES, et al thru SALE OF STOCK (25%) TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. EFF: NOT CONSUMMATED; LTR. 9-8-61			
BLCT-1073	7-19-62	Ch. 6	V: 100 kw	U	7-19-62
AH: 1110'		82-88	A: 50 kw	MSL: 1802'	4-1-64
License to cover CP (BPCT-2767) MAIN TRANS. & ANT.					
BRCT-73	3-29-61	Ch. #6	-- Emerg. Test & Maint. Only		4-1-61 to 4-1-64
AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA					
Letter 2-3-64 Superseded to correct name & expiration date					
BRCT-73	5-7-58	CH. #6	V-100 kw	U	5-7-58
MAIN TRANS. & ANT.		82-88	A- 50 kw	AH: 880'	4-1-61
Letter 2-3-64 Superseded to correct expiration date.					
BRCT-73	5-7-58	CH. #6	-- Emerg. Test & Maint.		5-7-58
AUX. TRANS. & ANT. 82-88 mcs.					
LETTER 2-3-64 Superseded to correct expiration date.					
ACTION OF FEDERAL DEFENSE APRIL 1, 1954					
BTC-4762	2-19-63	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of licensee corporation by the "Ingalls" and "Taft" Families through sale of stock (10.21%) of the licensee corp. to the General Public. EFF: 3-5-65			

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Station location BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Name of licensee TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BRCT-73	4-15-65	CH 6	V-100 kw	U	4-15-65
BMLCT-243	3-3-65	82-88	A- 50 kw	AH:1110' MSL:1802'	4-1-67
Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP and change aural trans. issued with RENEWAL OF LICENSE: MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					
BRCT-73	4-15-65	CH 6	--	Energ. Test	4-15-65
AUX. TRANS. & ANT.		82-88		& Maint.	4-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
BRCT-73	3-29-67	Same	Same	Same	4-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE AUX. TRANS. & ANT.					
BRCT-73	3-29-67	Same	Same	Same	4-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA					
BPCT-4057	2-26-68	CH. 6	V-100 kw	U	4-26-68
AH: 1110' MSL: 1802'		82-88	A- 20 kw		10-26-68
Construction Permit to install an Alternate Main Vis. ampl. MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA WITH ALTERNATE MAIN VIS. AMPLFS.					
BMPCT-6909	9-25-68	MP (BPCT-4057)	ext. time		3-25-69 (1) ✓
BMPCT-6992	3-11-69	MP (BPCT-4057, as mod)	extend date		9-11-69
WIRE	5-1-69	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. ALTERNATE MAIN VISUAL AMPLIFIER ON PTA SEC. 73-629 RULES AND CP BMPCT-6992.			
BRCT-73	4-1-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSES (2)			4-1-73
MAIN TRANS. & ANTE. AUXILIARY TRANS. & ANTENNA					
BLCT-1880	6-29-70	LIC (BPCT-4057) for chgs.			4-1-73
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRCT-73	4-13-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (s) - AUX. TRANS. & ANT.			4-1-76
MAIN TRANS. & ANT.					
BRCT-73	3-9-76	Renewal of license WITH ALT. MAIN VIS AMP.			4-1-79
MAIN TRANS. AND ANT. AUX. TRANS. & ANT.					
BPCT-5050	7-29-77	Ch. 6	V. 100 kW	U	9-29-77
AH: 1110' MSL: 1802'		82-88	A. 20 kW		1-29-79
CP to install an Alt. Main.					
BRCT-781201L	5-25-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE(S)			4-1-82

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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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Station Location

Name *TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY*

Transmitter Location *SEE CARD #1*

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BLGT-2628	11-17-80		4-1-82
Lic. to cover CP(BPCT-5050)			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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Name BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
(P.O. 1727 1/2 North 2nd Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-245 Rec'd Filed	12-11-47 12-12-47 12-12-47	Construction permit for a new commercial television b/c station Frequency: Ch.#4, 66-72 mcs. ERP: 14.5 kw Vis. & Aur. Hours of Operation: Unlimited S-Location: 1727-1/2 N.2nd Ave., Birmingham, Ala. T-Location: Top of Red Mt. 3/8 mi. s.w. of Statue of Vulcan, Birmingham, Alabama Commencement and completion dates, 60 days from date of grant and 180 days thereafter, respectively. (Vis. & Aur RCA, Type TT5A) Filed by William Thomson, Att'y	GRANTED	1-30-48
BMFCT-292 Rec'd Filed	8-9-48 8-12-48 8-12-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPCT-245, which authorized new commercial tel. b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-30-48 to 6-30-49. Filed by William Thomson, Atty	GRANTED	12-22-48

George C. Davis, Engr.
Munsey Building
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-532 Recd & Filed	5-25-49 5-26-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 6-30-49 <u>to</u> 9-1-49. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	6-3-49
BMPCT-560 Recd & Filed	6-25-49 6-27-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) to change ERP Vis. 14.5 KW, Aur. 7.7 KW <u>to</u> Vis. 12.2 KW. Aur. 6.1 K. W. Changes type antenna and change make of transmitters. ^{Change 3-L from 1727 1/2 E 2nd Ave, Birmingham, Ala.} To Red Mountain, Birmingham, Ala. (Dumont Vis. 1000 <u>2000</u>) Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	7-6-49
BMPCT-575 Recd & Filed	7-15-49 7-19-49	Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-49 <u>to</u> 4-1-50. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	8-23-49

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(Birmingham, Ala)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-702 Rec'd & Filed	2-15-50 2-17-50	Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod. which authorized new Comm. TV B/c station) for extension of completion date from 4-1-50 to 10-1-50. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	3-1-50
BMPCT-761 Rec'd & Filed	8-9-50 8-15-50	Mod. of CP (BPCT-245 as mod. which authorized new commercial tv b/c station) for extension of completion date from 10-1-50 to 4-1-51. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	8-28-50
BLCT-97 Rec'd & Filed	2-16-51 2-23-51	License to cover CP (BPCT-245 as mod.), which authorized new commercial tv b/c station. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	4-20-51
ERCT-73 Rec'd & Filed	10-25-51 10-29-51	Renewal of License (Filed direct) Thomson (still Atty.)	GRANTED	1-30-52

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Letters W B R C-TVName BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.(Birmingham, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-857 * Recd & Filed (Continued below)	2-19-52 2-25-52	Construction to change from Ch.# 4, 66-72 MCS to Ch.# 6, 82-88 Mcs., ERP from Vis. 12.2 KW Aur 6.1 KW to Vis. 28.8 KW & Aur. 14.4 KW, change type antenna & make other equip- ment changes. (908') Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	7-17-52
BRCT-73 Recd & Filed	3-10-52 3-14-52	Affidavit for renewal of license. Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	3-26-52
BPCT-857 * (Continued from above) Recd & Filed AMENDED	5-12-52 5-23-52	(PURSUANT TO SIXTH REPORT & ORDER-4-11-52) FREQ: Ch. #6, 82-88 Mcs. ERP: Vis. 100 kw., Aur. 50 kw. Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama T-L: Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama (Vis. & Aur. RCA TT25-BL) (908') Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	7-17-52

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters WBRC-TVName BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
(P. O. 1727 1/2 2nd Avenue, North, P. O. Box 2311, Birmingham, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-901 Rec'd. Filed	9-16-52 9-23-52 9-23-52	Mod. of C. P. (BPCT-857 which authorized changes in existing Comm. TV B/C station) to change type of antenna. (898'). Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	10-17-52
BMPCT-73 Rec'd & filed	12-20-52 12-31-52	Renewal of license Filed by Geo. C. Sutton, Atty.	GRANTED	3-4-53
BTC-1479 Rec'd Filed	4-2-53 4-10-53 4-10-53	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee & corporation from Eloise H. Hanna to Storer Broadcasting Company. Filed by Thomas H. Wall, Atty for Storer B/Co. Co. Also filed by William Thomas, Atty for WBRC-TV.	GRANTED	5-20-53

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Letters WBRC-TVName BIRMINGHAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Birmingham, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-1099 Recd & filed	4-27-53 4-30-53	Modification of construction permit (BPCT-857 which authorized changes in existing Comm. TV b/c station) for extension of completion date from June 17, 1953 to December 17, 1953 Filed by William Thomson, Atty.	GRANTED	5-22-53
BMPCT-1614 Recd. Filed	11-30-53 12-2-53 12-2-53	Mod. of CP (BPCT-857, as mod., which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 12-17-53 to 6-17-54 Filed by Wm. P. Sims, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	12-7-53
BMPCT-2128 Recd. & filed	5-13-54 5-17-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-857, as mod., which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 6-17-54 to 12-17-54.	GRANTED	5-21-54
BPCT-1897 Recd. & Filed (Aux. Trans)	9-15-54 9-17-54	CP to install an auxiliary transmitter on Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama (present site of main transmitter) to be operated on Ch. 6. Filed by Earl R. Stanley, Atty. (RCA TT-500A)	GRANTED	10-5-54

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BMPCT-2665 Recd & filed Main Trans. & Antenna	12-7-54 12-9-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-857, as mod., which authorized changes in facilities of existing Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 12-17-54 to 3-17-55. Filed by Wm. P. Sims, Jr.	GRANTED	12-17-54
BMPCT-2969 Recd & filed Aux transmitters	3-1-55 3-7-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1897 which authorized installation of Auxiliary transmitters at present site of main transmitters) to extend completion date from 4-4-55 to 6-17-55 Filed by Wm. P. Sims, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	3-22-55
BAPCT-153 Recd. & Filed	5-13-55 5-23-55	Voluntary assignment of Construction Permits (Main Transmitter & Antenna and Auxiliary Transmitter) from Birmingham Broadcasting Company, Inc. to Storer Broadcasting Company. Filed by Wm. P. Sims, Atty.	GRANTED Eff:	5-26-55

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BLCT-321 Recd & filed MAIN TRANSMITTER & ANTENNA	6-15-55 6-16-55	License to cover construction permit (BPCT-857 as modified) which authorized changes in facilities of existing commercial TV b/c station. Filed by Wm. P. Sims, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	4-10-56
BMPCT-3382 Recd & filed AUX. TRANS. Ext. #2	8-30-55 8-31-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1897, as mod. which authorized installation of Aux. Transm. at present site of Main transmitters) to extend completion date from 10-4-55 to 4-4-56. Filed Direct.	GRANTED	9-7-55
BPCT-2028 Recd & filed Aux. Antenna	9-1-55 9-8-55	CP to install auxiliary antenna system near the main transmitter site. (463') Filed direct	GRANTED	11-3-55
BLCT-438 RECD & FILED AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA.	2-21-56 2-23-56	License to cover CP BPCT-1897, as mod. for Aux. transmitters & BPCT-2028 for an Aux. antenna system. Filed direct.	GRANTED	10-23-56

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Action (Ltr. 6-25-57)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BALCT-45 Recd & Filed	4-9-57 4-12-57	Voluntary assignment of license to WBRC, Inc. Robert F. Jones, Atty. (Assignor) Bernard Koteen, Atty. (Assignee)	GRANTED Eff.	5-8-57 5-23-57

Letter 6-14-57 Koteen and Burt Attorneys for WBRC-TV				
BPCT-2449 Recd & Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	12-16-57 12-23-57	Construction permit to make changes in existing station - change in T-L (coordinates (seconds only)); install new antenna system; make minor equipment changes and change ant. ht. abv. aver. terrain to 1116 ft. Bernard Koteen, Atty. (BPET-71, WBIQ, filed simultaneously, contingent on grant of this application)	GRANTED CONDITION: that main ant. structure be dismantled within 60 days after start of Prog. Test Operation and Comm. so advised.	2-13-59

BRCT-73 Recd. & filed MAIN TRANS. & ANT.	12-31-57 2-12-58	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED	5-7-58

BRCT-73 Recd. & filed AUX. TRANS. & ANT.	2-26-58 3-17-58	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty.	GRANTED	5-7-58

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BPCT-2577 Recd & filed Main trans & antenna	10-23-58 11-5-58	CP to make equipment changes in existing station to permit WTAF (FM) to utilize the existing WBRC-TV transmission lines and antenna as the radiating system for the FM station. Filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty.	GRANTED Retired to Closed files as moot; LTR. 11-25-59 was Superseded by grant of BPCT-2449, as mod.	12-22-58
BPCT-5312 Recd & Filed Main trans & antenna	4-29-59 5-1-59 5-1-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2449 which auth. changes in existing station) to install new antenna system, make changes in equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 1114.5' and minor change in transmitter site (co-ordinates only) Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED CONDITION: that existing WBRC-TV main ant. structure at N. Lat. 33° 29' 20" W. Long 86° 47' 59" be dismantled within 60 days following commence. of auth. prog. from new facil. spec. herein. The Comm. shall be advised when dismantling of above ant. structure has been accomplished.	6-1-59

in writing, by permittee, However, this condition is not to be construed as an authorization for any change in the antenna system of WBRC-FM

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BAPLCT-31 Rec. & filed	6-12-59 6-19-59	Voluntary assignment of construction permit and license to Taft Broadcasting Company Koteen and Burt-attys	GRANTED EFF:	6-25-59 7-1-59
BLCT- 993 Received MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	11-12-59 11-13-59	License to cover CP (BPCT-2449, as modified, which auth changes in existing station) and redescrbe studio and transmitter locations as Atop Red Mountain, Birmingham, Alabama (no change in site) Koteen and Burt-attys.	GRANTED Condition: re Compliance Section 317 Comm. Act.	8-31-60
BPCT-2767 R & F Main Trans & Antenna	3-31-60 4-4-60	Construction permit to make changes in the antenna system to GE TY-60F modified and other equipment changes. Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED CONDITION: same as on BMPCT-5312	4-15-60
BLCT- 1073 Recd. & filed Main Trans. & Antenna	10-14-60 10-18-60	LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-2767) which authorized changes in existing station. Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED	7-19-62

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BRCT-73 R & F MAIN TRANS & ANTENNA	12-30-60 1-3-61	Renewal of license Filed by Bernard Koteen, Atty	GRANTED	3-29-61
BRCT-73 R & F AUX TRANS & ANT.	12-30-60 1-9-61	Renewal of license Filed by Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty	GRANTED	3-29-61
BTC-3779 Rec'd Filed	6-16-61 6-19-61 6-19-61	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of licensee corporation by David S. Ingalls and Robert Taft, Jr., Trustees, et al thru sale of stock (25%) to the General Public. Bernard Koteen, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: NOT COMSUMMATED LTR. 9-8-61	7-6-61
BRCT-73 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	12-31-63 1-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.f	GRANTED ISSUED WITH BMLCT-243 GRANTED 3-3-65	4-15-65
BRCT-73 AUX TRANS & ANT Red. Filed	12-31-63 1-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty.	GRANTED	4-15-65

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BTC-4762 Recd.&Filed	2-4-65 2-8-65	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of licensee corporation by the "Ingalls" and "Taft" Families through sale of stock (10.72%) of the licensee corporation to the General Public. Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty. (KOTEEN & BURT)	GRANTED EFF:	2-19-63 3-5-65
BMLCT-243 Recd.&Filed MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	2-10-65 2-15-65	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 50 kw to 20 kw; and change type of aural transmitter to RCA TT-10AL. Alan Y. Naftalin, Esquire (KOTEEN, BURT)	GRANTED Issued with BRCT-73 Granted	3-3-65 4-15-65
BRCT-73 R & F MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA	12-29-66 1-3-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	3-29-67
BRCT-73 R & F AUX. TRANS. & ANTENNA	12-29-66 1-3-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE V.E. Ferrall, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	3-29-67

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BPCT-4057 R & F MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA DEC 11 1967	11-1-67 11-3-67	Construction Permit to install an alternate main Visual amplifier (RCA TT-25BL(LA) at the Main Transmitter and Antenna Location. Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED MAIN TRANS. & ANT. WITH ALTERNATE MAIN VISUAL AMPLIFIER	2-26-68
BMPCT-6909 R & F Main Trans. & Antenna with Alternate Main Vis. Amplifier SEP 19 1968	9-9-68 9-11-68	Mod. (BPCT-4057) to extend completion date to April 1, 1969. Koteen & Burt, Atty. (Alan Y. Naftalin)	\$457992 \$30. GRANTED	9-11-68 9-25-68
BMPCT-6992 R & F Press \$494542 \$30. Main Trans. & Ant. with Alter. Main Vis. Amplifier	2-20-69 2-26-69 2-26-69	Mod. (BPCT-4057, as mod.) to extend completion date to 5-1-69. Koteen & Burt, Atty. (Alan Y. Naftalin)	GRANTED	3-11-69

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BLCT-1880 R & F \$30 #509372 MAIN TRANS. & ANTENNA with ALTERNATE MAIN VISUAL AMPLIFIERS PRESS	4-21-69 4-25-69 " MAY ? 1969	LICENSE (BPCT-4057, as mod.) for changes. Alan Y. Naftalin, Atty. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	6-29-70
BRCT-73 R & F #566966 \$180 PRESS: PN REC'D:	1-2-70 1-2-70 1-2-70 1-2-70	Renewal of License (Main Trans. & Ant. with Alt. Main Vis. Amp.) (Auxiliary Trans. & Ant.) Atty.: Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	4-1-70
BRCT-73 R & F PRESS: PN REC'D:	12-28-72 1-2-73 FEB 12 1973 1-2-73	Renewal of License (Main Trans. & Ant. with Alt. Main Vis. Amp.) (Auxiliary Trans. & Ant.) Attys.: Victor E. Ferrall, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)	GRANTED	4-13-73

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BRCT-73 PN Rec'd R & F PRESS:	11-25-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-9-76
	12-1-75	(MAIN TRANS. & ANT. WITH ALTERNATE MAIN		
	12-1-75	VISUAL AMPLIFIER)(AUX. TRANS. & ANT.)		
	8 FEB 1976	Atty: Merrill F. Hathaway, Jr. (Koteen & Burt)		
		Contours filed 12-1-75.		
		Annual Reports Filed		
		Amended 1-23-76 re equal employment.		
BPCT- 5050 R&F PRESS	5-9-77	CP to install an Alternate Main Trans.	GRANTED	7-29-77
	5-12-77	(RCA TT-25FL).		
	JUN 7 1977	Atty.: Arthur B. Goodkind (Koteen & Burt)		
BRCT-781201LO R&F PN REC'D PRESS	11-28-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE LICENSE	GRANTED	5-25-79
	12-1-78			
	'79 04 05	Lisa J. Stevenson, atty. (KOTEEN & BURT)		

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BLCT-2628		Lic. to cover CP(BPCT-5050) to install an alternate main trans.	GRANTED	11-17-80
R&F	4-10-78			
PTA	4-24-78			
PRESS		Arthur B. Goodkind, atty. (KOTEEN & BURT)		

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History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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.

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