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In re	)
DWNBN(AM) Meridian, MS	) File No. BR-20120210ABF
Facility ID No. 22294	
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#### **APPLICATION FOR REVIEW**

Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator, and Jimmie L. Hopson, by their attorney, submit the instant Application for Review of the September 4, 2019 Letter Ruling addressed to undersigned counsel by the Chief, Audio Division, Media Bureau (Attachment A). The letter denied an earlier-filed Petition for Reconsideration (Attachment B) primarily on the contention that the Petition neither showed a material error in the Bureau's earlier decision nor raises facts that were not available at the time the Bureau issued the Letter Order. However, as will be demonstrated, there are a number of salient factors which have been omitted from the September 4, 2019 Letter Ruling. The September 4, 2019 Letter Ruling fails to take into consideration the circumstances which caused the "turmoil."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The June 20, 2018 Letter Order is attached (Attachment C).

#### **Background**

Pursuant to the Letter Ruling of June 20, 2018, the Renewal Application for Station WNBN(AM), filed on February 10, 2012, was dismissed on grounds that the Application was improperly filed because the Application for Renewal of License was filed in Frank Rackley, Jr.'s name over one (1) year after his death without acknowledging his death or otherwise notifying the Commission in an amendment to the Application. Thus, the Commission concluded that the license had expired by its own terms on June 1, 2012. See Commission Database Download (Attachment D). Shortly after the issuance of the June 20, 2018 Letter Order, undersigned counsel was retained by Mr. Jimmie L. Hopson, a minority individual residing in Meridian, Mississippi, who, unfamiliar with Commission rules or procedures, had, nevertheless, entered into a transaction to acquire WNBN.<sup>2</sup> Shortly after being retained on behalf of Mr. Hopson, reconsideration was sought with respect to the June 20, 2018 Letter Ruling. In that petition, it was conceded that the Commission was correct that the licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr., had died on January 25, 2011. Moreover, the renewal filed on February 10, 2012 did not reflect his passing. However, the renewal was signed by Eddie Rackley. All of this was done without the benefit of counsel.

On December 7, 2017, an FCC Form 316 Application was filed, seeking the assignment of WNBN from Frank Rackley, Jr. to Eddie Rackley, Administrator. Included with that submission were several testamentary documents: Judgment Approving Final Accounting, Authorizing Sale of Property, and Closing Estate, Bill of Sale. Collectively, these documents would indicate that the Court approved a sale of WNBN to Jimmie L. Hopson.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Documents pertinent to the transaction are contained in the Petition for Reconsideration (Attachment B).

The Commission, on April 19, 2018, pursuant to FCC Form 732, approved the FCC Form 316 Application, Consent to Assignment from Frank Rackley, Jr. to Eddie L. Rackley, Administrator. However, due to lack of experience with FCC matters and with no assistance of counsel, the consummation of that assignment was never filed with the Commission.

The licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr., died on January 25, 2011. This is undisputed. Despite being unfamiliar with Commission procedures, a renewal was filed. Yes, the renewal was filed in the name of the deceased, but it was signed by the decedent's brother, Eddie Rackley, who would ultimately be approved by the Court as the Administrator of the estate. Thus, there was no attempt to "pull the wool" over the Commission's eyes.

In approving the testamentary papers, the Judge was obviously unaware of the need for FCC approval. Thus, in the Petition for Reconsideration, it was requested that the renewal be reinstated to allow an amendment to reflect the death of Frank Rackley, Jr., the filing of the consummation of BAL-20171207ABE and, finally, allow for the filing of an FCC Form 314 to assign WNBN to Jimmie L. Hopson.

Not so incidentally, because the renewal had been dismissed and the license cancelled, nothing has been able to be filed in CDBS. Thus, in the Petition for Reconsideration, it was requested that an STA be permitted to be filed to permit the continued operation of the station until all these matters are resolved. This latter request, it should be noted, was never addressed in the September 4, 2019 ruling.

#### Miscellaneous Matters

After the submission of the Petition for Reconsideration, undersigned counsel entered into several discussions and negotiations with various Audio Division counsel. Specifically, Audio Division counsel wished to ascertain the operating status of WNBN and to verify that it

was operating consistent with its obligations. Accordingly, several emails containing pictures were provided. *See* Attachment E.<sup>3</sup> Ultimately, a representative of the Audio Division agreed that a Consent Decree would be an appropriate resolution of the matter. *See* Attachment F.

As the Commission is aware, Consent Decrees essentially consist of stock paragraphs. A Consent Decree is, for all intents and purposes, a contract of adhesion. The only real negotiation are the amounts that would be required to be paid.<sup>4</sup> The issue of a payment plan had been raised and Mr. Hopson determined that he would be able to make the voluntary contribution to pay the requisite amount. Thus, a check for \$12,000 was submitted to undersigned counsel for deposit in counsel's IOLTA Account. *See* Attachment G.

In a conversation with Audio Division counsel virtually concurrent with counsel's receipt of the payment amount, counsel was advised that the Consent Decree had been taken off the table with little explanation as to why. Accordingly, while counsel does not dispute the right of the Bureau to change its mind, it, nevertheless, questions whether in this case it wouldn't be more in the public interest to enter into a Consent Decree than to terminate an AM voice in a community with sparse AM service. In this regard, the Commission should look at the fact that WNBN(AM) is a well-entrenched, long-standing station in Meridian, Mississippi. If its license is cancelled, there will not be another AM station to take its place. Moreover, WNBN will be owed by a minority owner -- something that is clearly in the public interest. Furthermore, Mr. Hopson is an innocent party. In this regard, the Commission has historically bent over backwards in order

<sup>3</sup> It was counsel's understanding that the Bureau would not consider a settlement if the station was not operating legally.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The Audio Division representative and counsel agreed that \$10,000 to \$12,000 would be appropriate. <sup>5</sup> See Prometheus Radio Project v. FCC, slip opinion, filed September 23, 2019. Therein, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit expressed concerns with respect to ownership safeguards for minorities. The Court held "...promoting ownership diversity is but one of the policy goals the FCC must consider."

to assist parties who were ignorant of the rules and allowed them to "sort matters out" with Commission assistance. *See* Attachment H.

#### Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the public interest would be best served by permitting a Consent Decree to be entered and thus allowing the continuation of broadcast service.

Respectfully submitted,

Haron P. Shainis

Counsel for

Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator

and Jimmie L. Hopson

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Date: October 1, 2019





## Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

September 4, 2019

In reply refer to: 1800B3-VM

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In re: DWNBN(AM), Meridian, MS

Facility ID No. 22294

Petition for Reconsideration

Dear Mr. Shainis:

This letter concerns the Petition for Reconsideration (Petition) you filed on July 24, 2018 of our June 20, 2018 Letter Order dismissing the pending renewal application (Application) of Station DWNBN(AM), Meridian Mississippi as improperly filed, and finding that the license had expired by its own terms. The Petition asks on reconsideration that the renewal application and the license be reinstated. For the following reasons, we deny reconsideration.

Background. The Letter Order dismissed the Application because it was filed on February 10, 2012, and signed by Mr. Eddie Rackley without revealing or ever being amended to show that the licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr., had died on January 25, 2011.<sup>3</sup> The Letter Order also determined that the Station's License expired by its own terms on June 1, 2012, because no valid renewal application was ever filed.

On reconsideration, the Petition argues that the Application should be reinstated because Mr. Eddie Rackley was operating without counsel and was unfamiliar with the Commission's rules (Rules). The Petition cites no rule or precedent in support of its argument.

**Discussion.** The Commission will consider a petition for reconsideration only when the petitioner shows either a material error in the Commission's original order or raises changed circumstances or unknown additional facts not known or existing at the time of petitioner's last opportunity to present such matters.<sup>4</sup> The Petition has failed to meet this burden.

Nothing in the Petition shows a material error in the Bureau's decision or raises facts that were not available at the time the Bureau issued the Letter Order. As stated above, the Petition cites no Rule or precedent in support of its argument that lack of counsel excuses a failure to comply with our Rules. It is well settled that parties that act pro se assume the responsibility of complying with the Rules.<sup>5</sup>

File No. BR-20120210ABF.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Letter Order from Albert Shuldiner, Chief, Audio Division, Media Bureau, FCC to Mr. Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator, and Mr. Jimmie L. Hopson, Ref. No. 1800B3-VM, (June 20, 2018) (Letter Order).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Eddie Rackley filed an assignment application showing his status as administrator of the Frank Rackley, Jr. estate on December 7, 2017. See File No. BAL-20171207ABE.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See 47 CFR § 1.106; WWIZ, Inc., Memorandum Opinion and Order, 37 FCC 685, 686, para. 3 (1964), aff'd sub nom. Lorain Journal Co. v. FCC, 351 F.2d 824 (D.C. Cir. 1965), cert. denied, 387 U.S. 967 (1966); and National Ass'n of Broadcasters, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 18 FCC Rcd 24414, 24415, para. 4 (2003).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Eagle Broadcasting Group, Ltd., Memorandum Opinion and Order, 23 FCC Rcd 588, 595 (2008) (applicant's pro se status did not exempt it from complying with Commission rules or statutory provisions); Mandeville

It is undisputed that the Application was signed by Eddie Rackley (in the purported role of "Officer") after the death of the licensee. Section 73.3513(a)(1) of the Rules requires that the individual applicant sign the application "if the application is an individual." Eddie Rackley knew that the licensee was deceased and could not comply with this Rule, but he did not request a Rule waiver and did not disclose the licensee's death. The Letter Order correctly dismissed the Application as a defective application in accordance with Section 73.3566(a) of the Rules.<sup>7</sup>

**Conclusion/Actions**. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the Petition for Reconsideration filed on July 24, 2018, IS DENIED.

Sincerely

Albert Shuldiner Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau

Broadcasting Corp., Memorandum Opinion and Order, 2 FCC Rcd 2523, 2524 (1987) ("[P]ro se parties do assume the responsibility of conforming with the Commission's Rules and policies." (citations omitted)).

<sup>6 47</sup> CFR §73.3513(a)(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 47 CFR §73.3566(a). See, e.g., Mary Ann Salvatoriello, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 6 FCC Rcd 4705, 4706 (1991) (the signature requirement "provides assurance that the applicant has personally reviewed the application and can be held responsible for the truth and accuracy of the statements therein").



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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW-Washington DC 20554 Attn: Thomas Hutton

Re:

WNBN(AM) Meridian, MS Facility ID No. 22294

Dear Mr. Hutton:

The instant submission should be considered as a petition seeking reconsideration of the June 20, 2018 action of the Chief, Audio Division, Media Bureau. Specifically, the letter dismissing the renewal application (File No. BR-20120210ABF) and cancelling the license.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission is correct that the licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr., died on January 25, 2011. The renewal, filed on February 10, 2012, did not reflect his passing.<sup>2</sup> The renewal was signed by Eddie Rackley. It should also be noted that it does not appear that the renewal application was filed through the utilization of communications counsel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For convenience, a copy of the June 20, 2018 letter is attached (Attachment A).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A copy of the renewal application is attached (Attachment B).

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On December 7, 2017, an FCC Form 316 application was filed seeking assignment of WNBN from Frank Rackley, Jr. to Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator (Attachment C). The application bears file number BAL-20171207ABE. Included with that submission were several testamentary documents – Judgment Approving Final Accounting, Authorizing Sale of Property, and Closing Estate, Bill of Sale,<sup>3</sup> and Agreed Judgement (sic) Appointing Administrator and Waiving the Requirement of a Bond Pending Inventory.

Attachment D is the April 19, 2018 FCC Form 732 approving the FCC Form 316 application – the consent to assignment from Frank Rackley, Jr. to Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator. Consummation of that assignment was never filed with the Commission. Presumably, the parties were not aware of how to effectuate the consummation notice. Once again, it should be noted that it does not appear that communications counsel was utilized.

Dismissal of the WNBN renewal appeared on Public Notice of June 25, 2018. Thus, the instant request is timely.

It is submitted that reconsideration is appropriate due to the circumstances present.

The licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr., died on January 25, 2011. Unfamiliar with Commission procedures and rules, the renewal was filed. Yes, the renewal was filed in the name of the deceased, but it was signed by the decedent's brother, Eddie Rackley, who would ultimately be approved by the court as the administrator of the estate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Bill of Sale in combination with the other testamentary documents would indicate the court approval of the sale of WNBN to Jimmie Lee Hopson.

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In approving the testamentary papers, the Judge was obviously unaware of the need for FCC approval. Furthermore, it appears that, at some point, the need for approval of Eddie Rackley as administrator became known. Unfortunately, the filing of the notice of consummation was not readily apparent.

In view of the lack of knowledge of the parties, reconsideration is requested. In this regard, reconsideration should be granted to allow the following:

- (a) Reinstatement of the renewal to allow for its amendment to reflect that Frank Rackley, Jr. is deceased.
- (b) The filing of the consummation of BAL-20171207ABE.
- (c) Allow for the filing of an FCC Form 314 to assign WNBN to Jimmie L. Hopson.

Because the renewal was dismissed and the license cancelled, nothing can be filed in CDBS. It is also requested that an STA be permitted to be filed to permit the continued operation of the station until all of these matters are resolved.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

. Aaron P. Shainis

Counsel for

Eddie J. Rackley





#### Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

June 20, 2018

In reply refer to: 1800B3-VM

Mr. Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator 266 23rd Street Meridian MS 39301

Mr. Jimmie L. Hopson 3815 10th Avenue Meridian, MS 39305

In re: WNBN(AM), Meridian, MS Facility ID No. 22294

File No. BR-20120210ABF

Dear Mr. Rackley and Mr. Hopson:

This is in reference to the application for renewal of license for Station WNBN(AM), Meridian, Mississippi (Station), filed on February 10, 2012, putatively by the licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr. On or about February 29, 2012, the Commission, received information that Mr. Rackley had died. Public records show that Mr. Rackley died on January 25, 2011. We note that the application for renewal of license did not indicate that Mr. Rackley had died, and has not been amended since its filing to update the licensee's status.

We hereby dismiss the application as improperly filed because the application for renewal of license was filed in Mr. Rackley's name over one year after his death without acknowledging his death or otherwise notifying the Commission in an amendment to the application. The Station's license therefore expired by its own terms on June 1, 2012.<sup>2</sup>

Accordingly, File No. BR-20120210ABF IS DISMISSED. The license for Station WNBN IS CANCELED.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau

<sup>1</sup> See Social Security Death Index for Frank Rackley, Jr. (https://www.socialsecuritydeathindexsearch.com/).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 CFR § 73.1020(a)(1)(5).



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ction I - General Information- TO BE COMPLETE	D BY ALL APPLICANTS				
Legal Name of the Licensee FRANK RACKLEY, JR.					
Mailing Address 266 23RD STREET					
City MERIDIAN	State or Country (if foreign address) MS	ZIP Code 39301 -			
Telephone Number (include area code) 6012863070	E-Mail Address (if available)				
FCC Registration Number: 0010301059	Facility ID Number 22294	Call Sign WNBN			
Contact Representative FRANK RACKLEY	Firm or Company Name				
Mailing Address 266 23RD STREET	Mailing Address				
City MERIDIAN	State or Country (if foreign address) MS	Zip Code 39301 -			
Telephone Number (include area code) 6012863070	E-Mail Address (if available)				
If this application has been submitted without a fee, inc  Governmental Entity  Noncommercial Educatio  N/A (Fee Required)	-	Section 1.1114):			
Purpose of Application  Renewal of license  Amendment to pending renewal application					
If an amendment, submit as an exhibit a listing by application that are being revised.	Section and Item Number the portions of the p	ending [Exhibit 1]			
Facility Information: C Commercial C Noncomme	ercial Educational				
Service and Community of License a. © AM O FM O FM Translator O LPFM					
O TV Translator O Low Power TV O Class A					
C Digital TV C Digital Translator or Digital LPTV C Digital Class A TV  Community of License / Area to be Served  City: MERIDIAN State : MS					
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NOTE: In addition to the information called for in Sections II, III, IV and V, an explanatory exhibit providing full particulars must be submitted for each item for which a "No" response is provided.

#### Section II - Legal - TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS

1.	Certification. Licensee certifies that it has answered each question in this application based on its review of the application instructions and worksheets. Licensee further certifies that where it has made an affirmative certification below, this certification constitutes its representation that the application satisfies each of the pertinent standards and criteria set forth in the application, instructions and worksheets.	⊙ <sub>Yes</sub> C <sub>No</sub>
2.	Character Issues. Licensee certifies that the neither the licensee nor any party to the application has or has connection with:	had any interest in, or
	a. any broadcast application in any proceeding where character issues were left unresolved or were resolved adversely against the applicant or party to the application; or	Yes C No See Explanation in [Exhibit 3]
	b. any pending broadcast application in which character issues have been raised.	Yes C No See Explanation in [Exhibit 4]
3.	Adverse Findings. Licensee certifies that, with respect to the licensee and each party to the application, no adverse finding has been made, nor has an adverse final action been taken by any court or administrative body in a civil or criminal proceeding brought under the provisons of any laws related to the following: any felony; mass media-related antitrust or unfair competition; fraudulent statements to another governmental unit; or discrimination.	Yes C No  See Explanation in  [Exhibit 5]
4.	FCC Violations during the Preceding License Term. Licensee certifies that, with respect to the station(s) for which renewal is requested, there have been no violations by the licensee of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, or the rules or regulations of the Commission during the preceding license term. If No, the licensee must submit an explanatory exhibit providing complete descriptions of all violations.	Yes C No  See Explanation in  [Exhibit 6]
5.	Alien Ownership and Control. Licensee certifies that it complies with the provisions of Section 310 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, relating to interests of aliens and foreign governments.	• Yes • No  See Explanation in  [Exhibit 7]
6.	Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification. Licensee certifies that neither licensee nor any party to the application is subject to denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862.	€ Yes C No
7.	Non-Discriminatory Advertising Sales Agreements. Commercial licensee certifies that its advertising sales agreements do not discriminate on the basis of race or ethnicity and that all such agreements held by the licensee contain nondiscrimination clauses. Noncommercial licensees should select "not applicable."	€ Yes C No C N/A
		See Explanation in [Exhibit 8]

I certify that the statements in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge that all certifications and attached Exhibits are considered material representations. I hereby waive any claim to the use of any particular frequency as against the regulatory power of the United States because of the previous use of the same, whether by license or otherwise, and request an authorization in accordance with this application. (See Section 304 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.)

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing EDDIE RACKLEYO	Typed or Printed Title of Person Signing OFFICER
Signature	Date 02/10/2012

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001), AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47,

#### Section III - TO BE COMPLETED BY AM and FM LICENSEES ONLY

1.	323 or 323-E) has been filed with the Commission as required by 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3615.	Yes No
		See Explanation in [Exhibit 9]
2.	EEO Program: Licensee certifies that:	
	a. The station's Broadcast EEO Program Report (FCC Form 396) has been filed with the Commission, as required by 47 C.F.R. Section 73.2080(f)(1).	⊙ Yes C No
	Specify FCC Form 396 File Number: B396 - 20120210ABA	See Explanation in [Exhibit 10]
	b. The station has posted its most recent Broadcast EEO Public File Report on the station's website, as required by 47 C.F.R. Section 73.2080(c)(6).	C Yes C No  N/A
		See Explanation in [Exhibit 11]
3.	<b>Local Public File.</b> Licensee certifies that the documentation, required by 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3526 or 73.3527, as applicable, has been placed in the station's public inspection file at the appropriate times.	€ Yes C No
		See Explanation in [Exhibit 12]
4.	Adherence to Minimum Operating Schedule. Licensee certifies that, during the preceding license term, the station has not been silent (or operating for less than its prescribed minimum operating hours) for any	⊙ Yes C No
	period of more than 30 days.  If No, submit an Exhibit specifying the exact dates in the preceding license term on which the station was	See Explanation in [Exhibit 13]
	silent or operating for less than its prescribed minimum hours.	
5.	<b>Discontinued Operations.</b> Licensee certifies that during the preceding license term, the station has not been silent for any consecutive 12-month period.	• Yes O No
		See Explanation in [Exhibit 14]
6.	Silent Station Licensee certifies that the station is currently on the air broadcasting programming intended to be received by the public.	€ Yes C No
7.	Environmental Effects. Licensee certifies that the specified facility complies with the maximum permissible radio frequency electromagnetic exposure limits for controlled and uncontrolled	€ Yes C No
	environments.	See Explanation in [Exhibit 15]
	By checking "Yes" above, the licensee also certifies that it, in coordination with other users of the site, will reduce power or cease operation as necessary to protect persons having access to the site, tower, or antenna from radio frequency electromagnetic exposure in excess of FCC guidelines.	
8.	Radio/Newspaper Cross-Ownership. Licensee certifies that neither the applicant nor any party to this application has an attributable interest in a newspaper which: (1) is published four or more days per week, (2) is in the dominant language in the market, and (3) is published in a community entirely encompassed by:	
	a. the 1 mV/m contour of one of the FM station(s)?	€ Yes C No C N/A
	b. the 2 mV/m contour of one of the AM station(s)?	⊙ Yes O No O N/A
	If No to either Question 8.a or 8.b, has the Commission made a finding pursuant to Section 310(d) of the Communications Act that the newspaper/broadcast combination is in the public interest?	C Yes C No
		See Explanation in [Exhibit 16]

#### **Exhibits**

## ATTACHMENT C

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554	30	Approved by OMB 60-0009 (June 2010)	FOR FCC USE ONLY	
	FCC 316			
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#### Section I - General Information Legal Name of the Licensee/Permittee FRANK RACKLEY, JR. Mailing Address 266 23RD STREET State or Country (if foreign address) Zip Code City 39301 -**MERIDIAN** MS Telephone Number (include area code) E-Mail Address (if available) MR.JHOPSON@GMAIL.COM 2058007191 Call Sign Facility ID Number FCC Registration Number: WNBN 22294 0027059039 Contact Representative (if other than licensee/permittee) Firm or Company Name 2. JIMMIE L HOPSON Mailing Address **3815 10TH AVENUE** ZIP Code State or Country (if foreign address) City 39305 -**MERIDIAN** MS E-Mail Address (if available) Telephone Number (include area code) MR.JHOPSON@GMAIL.COM 6019385879 If this application has been submitted without a fee, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114): C Governmental Entity C Noncommercial Educational Licensee/Permittee C Other O N/A (Fee Required) a. • Voluntary Assignment or Transfer of Control • Involuntary Assignment or Transfer of Control 4. • Amendment to pending application File number of pending application: -If an amendment, submit as an Exhibit a listing, by Section and Question Number, of the [Exhibit 1] portions of the pending application that are being revised. b. Applicant certifies that the use of FCC Form 316 is appropriate for this transaction. O Yes O No See Explanation in [Exhibit 2] C Yes @ No Were any of the authorizations that are the subject of this application obtained through the Commission's competitive bidding procedures (see 47 C.F.R. Sections 1.2111(a) and 73.5000)? [Exhibit 3] If yes, list pertinent authorizations in an Exhibit.

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NOTE: In addition to the information called for in this section, an explanatory exhibit providing full particulars must be submitted for each question for which a "No" response is provided.

#### Section $\Pi$ - Assignor/Transferor

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	Mailing Address 266 23 STREET						
	City State MERIDIAN MS	e or Co	untry (if foreign address)	Zip Code 39301 -			
	Telephone Number (include 6014830004	e area c	ode)	E-Mail Ad	ldress (if	available)	
				GHOLT4E	EVR@G	MAIL.COM	
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	Mailing Address 3815 10TH AVE						
	City State MERIDIAN MS	or Co	untry (if foreign address)		Zip Co 39305		
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	If more than one Transferor	, subm	it the information requested in Que	estions 3 and 4 for	each trar	nsferor.	Exhibit 4]
5.	5. Authorizations to be Assigned/Transferred. List the authorized stations and construction permits to be assigned/transferred. Prothe Facility Identification Number and the Call Sign, or the Facility Identification Number and the File Number of the Construction Permit, and the location, for each station to be assigned/transferred. Include main stations, FM and/or TV translator stations, LPTV stations, FM and/or TV booster stations.  [Enter Station Information]					e Construction tations, LPTV	
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	Facility ID Number	Ca	Il Sign or Construction Permit File	e Number		City	State
	22294	Ţ,	VNBN -		2	MERIDIAN	MS
6.	Agreements for Sale/Trans	sfer of	Station.			C	Yes C No
	a. If the transaction is volur	ntary, A	ssignor/Transferor certifies that:				€ <sub>N/A</sub>
			nittee's public inspection file(s) an for the assignment/transfer of the		exhibit to		Exhibit 5]
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	<ul> <li>ii. these documents embody the complete and final understanding between assignor/transferor and assignee/transferee; and</li> <li>iii. these agreements comply fully with the Commission's rules and policies.</li> <li>b. If the transaction is involuntary, the Assignor/Transferor certifies that court orders or other authorizing documents have been issued and that it has placed in the licensee's/permittee's public inspecition file(s) and submitted to the Commission copies of such court orders or other authorizing documents.</li> <li>Exhibit Required</li> </ul>	• Yes C No C N/A [Exhibit 6]
7.	Character Issues. Assignor/Transferor certifies that neither licensee/permittee nor any party to the application has or has had any interest in, or connection with:  a. any broadcast application in any proceeding where character issues were left unresolved or were resolved adversely against the applicant or any party to the application; or  b. any pending broadcast application in which character issues have been raised.	• Yes C No  See Explanation in  [Exhibit 7]
8.	Adverse Findings. Assignor/Transferor certifies that, with respect to the assignor/transferor and each party to the application, no adverse finding has been made, nor has an adverse final action been taken by any court or administrative body in a civil or criminal proceeding brought under the provisions of any law related to any of the following: any felony; mass media-related antitrust or unfair competition; fraudulent statements to another governmental unit; or discrimination.	• Yes C No See Explanation in [Exhibit 8]
9.	Auction Authorization. Assignor/transferor certifies that more than five years have passed since the issuance of the construction permit for the station being assigned, where that permit was acquired in an auction through the use of a bidding credit or other special measure.	C Yes C No  N/A  See Explanation in  [Exhibit 9]
10.	Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification. Assignor/Transferor certifies that neither licensee/permittee nor any party to the application is subject to denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862.	€ Yes C No

I certify that the statements in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge that all certifications and attached Exhibits are considered material representations.

51	Typed or Printed Title of Person Signing ADMINISTRATOR	
3-8	Date 04/13/2018	

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001), AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 312(a)(1)), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 503).

NOTE: In addition to the information called for in this section, an explanatory exhibit providing full particulars must be submitted for each question for which a "No" response is provided.

#### Section III - Assignee/Transferee

7/18/2018

1.	On its review of the application instructions and worksheets. Assignee/Transferee further certifies that where it has made an affirmative certification below, this certification constitutes its representation that the application satisfies each of the pertinent standards and criteria set forth in the application instructions and worksheets.				
2.	2. Legal Name of the Assignee/Transferee EDDIE J RACKLEY, ADMINISTRATOR				
	Mailing Address 266 23RD STREET				
	City MERIDIAN	State or Country (if foreign address) MS	Zip Code 39301 -		

	Telephone Number (include 6014920004	e area code)				E-Mail	Address (if available)
	Contact Representative (if o	ntact Representative (if other than Assignee/Transferee)  Firm or Company N  DIE HOLT			Name		
_	Mailing Address 1618 9TH AVE						
	City State or Country (if foreign address) Zip Cod MERIDIAN MS 39301 -					Zip Code 39301 -	
	Telephone Number (include 2055198066	e area code)				E-Mail Address (if	available)
	If more than one Transfere	e, submit the info	rmation reque	ested in Question	s 2 and 3 for e	ach transferee.	[Exhibit 10]
	Agreements for Sale/Transfer of Station. Assignee/Transferee certifies that:  a. the written agreements in the licensee/permittee's public inspection file embody the complete and final agreement for the sale or transfer of the station(s); and  b. these agreements comply fully with the Commission's rules and policies.						
	Changes in interests as a result of assignment/transfer. a. [Enter Changes in Interests Information]  Changes in Interests as a Result of Assignment/Transfer						
	(A) NAMES AND	(B)		INTERE	ST HELD		
	ADDRESSES OF ANY PARTY TO	CITIZENSHIP		TRANSFER OR GNMENT		TRANSFER OR GNMENT	
	APPLICATION HOLDING AN ATTRIBUTABLE INTEREST		(1) Percentage Vote	(2) PercentageTotal Assets (Equity plus Debt)	Votes	(2) PercentageTotal Assets (Equity plus Debt)	
	FRANK RACKLEY JR.	US	100	100	0	0	
	(A) NAMES AND	INTEREST HELD					
	ADDRESSES OF ANY CI PARTY TO APPLICATION HOLDING AN ATTRIBUTABLE	(B) CITIZENSHIP	(-)		TRANSFER OR GNMENT		
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	INTEREST EDDIE J RACKLEY	US .	0	0	100	100	
	or [Exhibit 12]						
b. Applicant certifies that equity inte			set forth abov	ve are non-attribu	ıtable.		C Yes C No
							⊙ <sub>N/A</sub>
							[Exhibit 13]
	Other Authorizations. List which assignee/transferee or					cast stations in	☑ N/A
	Acquisition of Control. Lis	t the file number	and date of a	rant of FCC Form	n 301 314 or	315 application	[Exhibit 14]  ☑ N/A
b ii	Acquisition of Control. List by which the Commission as interest in the licensee/perm grant of this application.	pproved the qual	ifications of th	ne individual or e	ntity with a pr	e-existing	[Exhibit 15]
. (	Character Issues. Assigned application has or has had a				feree nor any p	party to the	© Yes C No

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	Alien Ownership and Control. Assignee/Transferee certifies that it complies with the provisions of Section 310 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, relating to interests of aliens and foreign governments.	• Yes C No  See Explanation in [Exhibit 18]
	Auction Authorization. Assignee/transferee certifies that where less than five years have passed since the issuance of the construction permit and the permit had been acquired in an auction through the use of a bidding credit or other special measure, it would qualify for such credit or other special measure.	C Yes C No  N/A  See Explanation in  [Exhibit 19]
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Signature	Date 04/13/2018

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THE ESTATE OF FRANK RACKLEY, JR., DECEASED

CAUSE N0.14-421-M

EDDIE J.RACKLEY,

**ADMINISTRATOR** 

## JUDGMENT APPROVING FINAL ACCOUNTING, AUTHORIZING SALE OF PROPERTY, AND CLOSING ESTATE

This cause came on for hearing on the Final Accounting, Motion to Authorize Sale of Property, and Petition to Close Estate filed herein by the Administrator, and the Court having determined that all of the heirs at law have filed a Waiver and Joinder to said Final Accounting, and the Court having jurisdiction over the parties herein and subject matter hereof finds as follows:

- 1. By Judgment dated July 8, 2014, the administrator was appointed by the Court and upon taking the oath of office, *Letters of Administration* were issued by the clerk of the Court. *Notice to Creditors* was published in The Meridian Star as required by law on July 15, 2014, July 22, 2014, and July 29, 2014. The period for probating claims has expired and no claims have been registered against this estate.
- 2. There are no estate or inheritance taxes due to the United States Treasury Department or to the State of Mississippi.
- 3. The sole and only heirs at law of Frank Rackley, Jr., were determined by judgment of this Court entered on November 14, 2014, and pursuant to said order the following persons were determined to be the sole and only heirs at law of Frank Rackley, Jr.: Marie Rackley, mother, and Cherry A. Jackson, Myra Ramsey, Emmerll Rackley and Eddie J. Rackley, all siblings.

TODAY'S DATE

- 4. The estate consists of an FCC license and call letters WNBN 12:90 AM, Meridian, Mississippi, and certain equipment and personal property located at 266 23rd Street, Meridian, Mississippi, 39301, which is property owned by Jimmie Lee Hopson.
- 5. The Honorable Robert M. Dreyfus has rendered valuable legal services in the administration of this estate and your administrator requests that he be authorized to pay him a reasonable fee in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the handling of this estate, together with expenses of \$346.00.
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### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

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CAUSE NO. 14-421-M

EDDIE J. RACKLEY,

CROSS-PETITIONER

### AGREED JUDGEMENT APPOINTING ADMINISTRATOR AND WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF A BOND PENDING INVENTORY

This Cause came on for hearing on the Counter-Complaint to Appoint an Administrator and Waive the Requirement of a Bond, filed herein by EDDIE J. RACKLEY, and the Court having been advised that the parties have reached an agreement herein, finds as follows:

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That the Court has jurisdiction over the parties herein and the subject matter thereto.

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ORDERED, this the

day of

2014

CHANCELLOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Leonard B. Cobb, Attorney For Jimmie Lee Hopson

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### IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE ESTATE OF FRANK RACKLEY, JR. DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 14-421-M

EDDIE J. RACKLEY,

CROSS-PETITIONER

### AGREED JUDGEMENT APPOINTING ADMINISTRATOR AND WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF A BOND PENDING INVENTORY

This Cause came on for hearing on the Counter-Complaint to Appoint an Administrator and Waive the Requirement of a Bond, filed herein by EDDIE J. RACKLEY, and the Court having been advised that the parties have reached an agreement herein, finds as follows:

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### ATTACHMENT D



### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

(FOR CHIEF, AUDIO DIVISION, MEDIA BUREAU)

DATE: 04/19/2018

X CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT:

CONSENT TO TRANSFER:

TO: EDDIE J RACKLEY, ADMINISTRATOR

Licensee/Permittee:
(for transfer only)

AITYTT.TARY CALL FACILITY STATIONS FILE# STATION LOCATION CLASS SIGN ID DWNBN 22294 BAL-20171207ABE MERIDIAN, MS AM ALL CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED AUXILIARY STATIONS

Under authority of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, the consent of the Federal Communications Commission is hereby granted to the transaction indicated above.

The Commission's consent to the above is based on the representations made by the applicants that the statements contained in, or made in connection with, the application are true and that the undertakings of the parties upon which this transaction is authorized will be carried out in good faith.

The actual consummation of voluntary transactions shall be completed within 90 days from the date hereof, and notice in letter form thereof shall promptly be furnished to the Commission by the seller or buyer showing the date the acts necessary to effect the transaction were completed. Upon furnishing the Commission with such written notice, this transaction will be considered completed for all purposes related to the above described station(s).

FCC Form 323, Ownership Report, must be filed within 30 days after consummation, by the licensee/permittee or assignee.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSIGNMENTS ONLY:

Upon consummation the assignor must deliver the permit/license, including any modifications thereof to the assignee.

It is hereby directed that, upon consummation, a copy of this consent be posted with the station authorization(s) as required by the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

The assignee is not authorized to construct nor operate said station(s) unless and until notification of consummation in letter form has been forwarded to the Commission.





### Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

June 20, 2018

In reply refer to: 1800B3-VM

Mr. Eddie J. Rackley, Administrator 266 23rd Street Meridian MS 39301

Mr. Jimmie L. Hopson 3815 10th Avenue Meridian, MS 39305

In re: WNBN(AM), Meridian, MS

Facility ID No. 22294

File No. BR-20120210ABF

Dear Mr. Rackley and Mr. Hopson:

This is in reference to the application for renewal of license for Station WNBN(AM), Meridian, Mississippi (Station), filed on February 10, 2012, putatively by the licensee, Frank Rackley, Jr. On or about February 29, 2012, the Commission, received information that Mr. Rackley had died. Public records show that Mr. Rackley died on January 25, 2011. We note that the application for renewal of license did not indicate that Mr. Rackley had died, and has not been amended since its filing to update the licensee's status.

We hereby dismiss the application as improperly filed because the application for renewal of license was filed in Mr. Rackley's name over one year after his death without acknowledging his death or otherwise notifying the Commission in an amendment to the application. The Station's license therefore expired by its own terms on June 1, 2012.<sup>2</sup>

Accordingly, File No. BR-20120210ABF IS DISMISSED. The license for Station WNBN IS CANCELED.

Sincerely.

bert Shuldiner 74

Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau

<sup>1</sup> See Social Security Death Index for Frank Rackley, Jr. (https://www.socialsecuritydeathindexsearch.com/).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 CFR § 73.1020(a)(1)(5).





### **Station Search Details**

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Call Sign:

**DWNBN** 

Facility Id:

22294

**Primary Station Call Sign:** 

**Community of License:** 

MERIDIAN, MS

Service:

AM

Fac Type:

Status:

LICENSE CANCELLED

Status Date:

06/20/2018

Frequency:

1290

Channel:

**Digital Status:** 

Lic Expir:

06/01/2012

Licensee:

FRANK RACKLEY, JR.

Address:

**266 23RD STREET** 

Address 2:

City:

**MERIDIAN** 

State:

MS

Zip Code:

39301 -

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From:

Aaron Shainis

Sent:

Wednesday, August 15, 2018 10:23 AM

To:

victoria.mccauley@fcc.gov

Subject:

WNBN

Victoria, I was advised that the EAS equipment that is at the station is the "old version". Replacement EAS equipment is being ordered this week. Let me know if you have any further questions. Best, Aaron

From:

**Aaron Shainis** 

Sent:

Friday, November 02, 2018 10:14 AM

To:

victoria.mccauley@fcc.gov

Cc:

Tom Hutton

Subject: Attachments: FW: Pics of fence..... WNBN IMG\_0318.jpg; ATT00001.txt

Vicky, please see the attached. If you have any questions please call me. I am also sending you in a separate e-mail a picture of the EAS equipment. Best , Aaron

----Original Message----

From: Steve Gray <stevesmoothgray@icloud.com> Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2018 4:48 PM To: Aaron Shainis <aaron@s-plaw.com>

Subject: Pics of fence



From:

Aaron Shainis

Sent:

Friday, November 02, 2018 10:16 AM

To:

victoria.mccauley@fcc.gov

Cc: Subject: Tom Hutton FW: WNBN

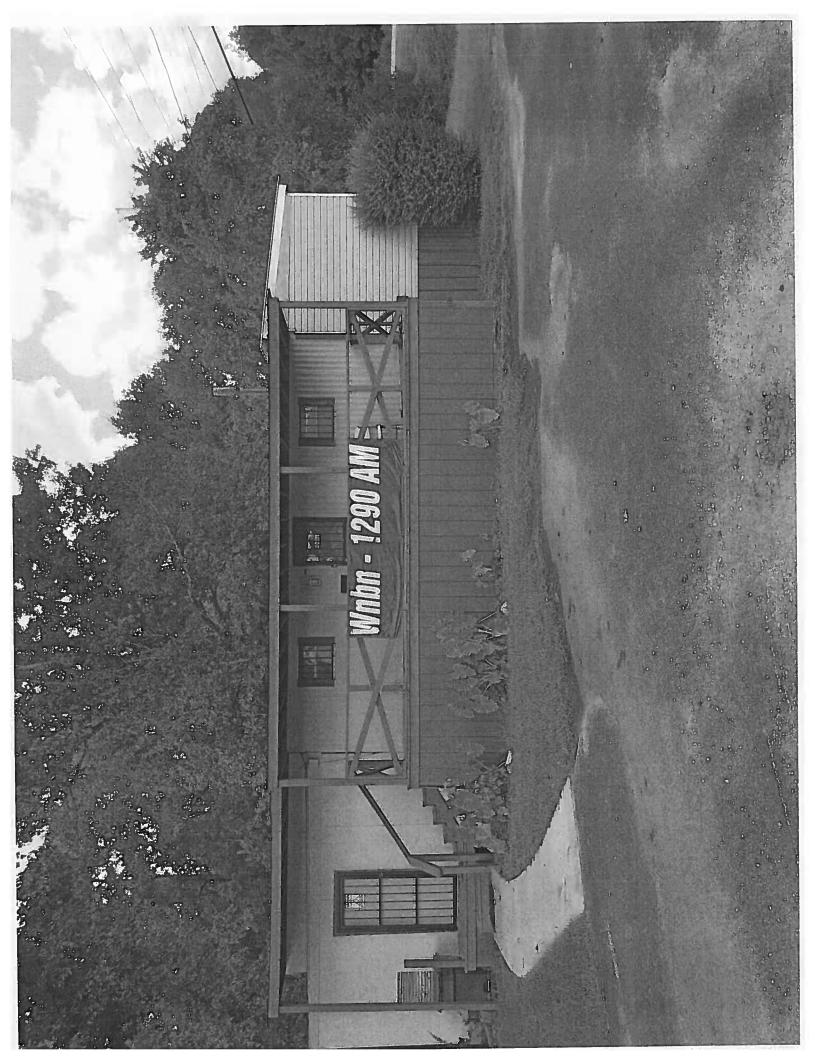
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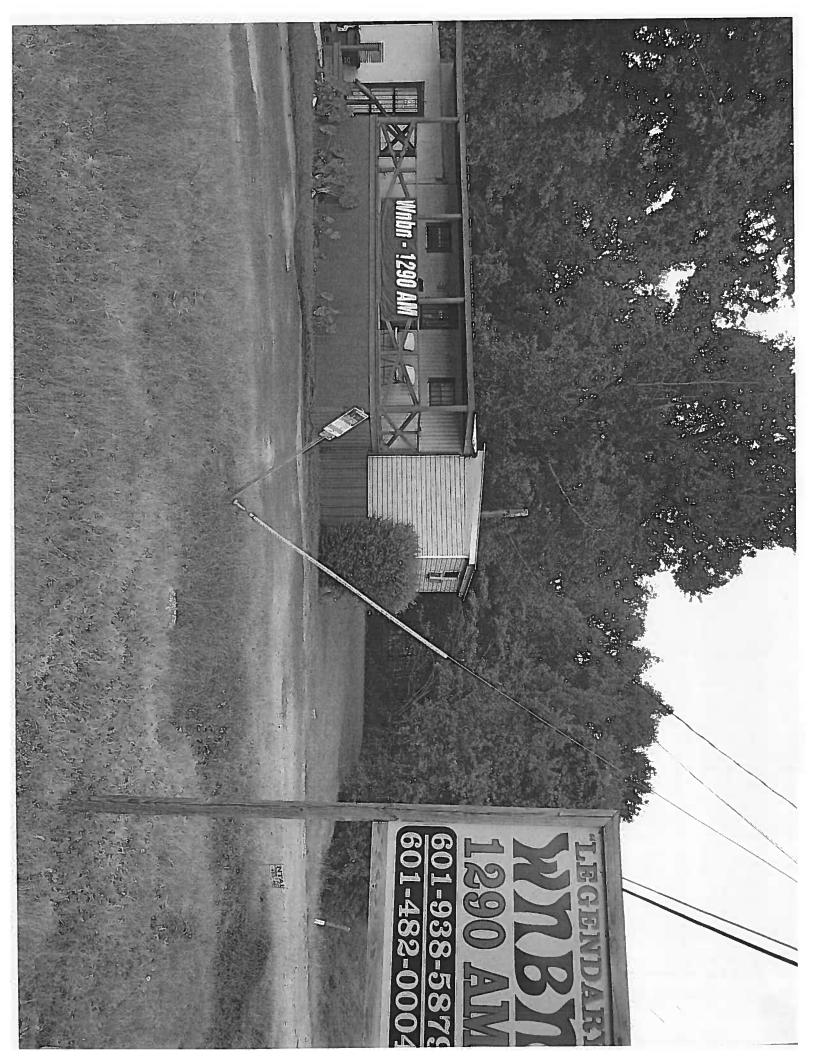
IMG\_0317.jpg; ATT00004.txt; IMG\_0318.jpg; ATT00005.txt

Other pictures. Best, Aaron

----Original Message-----











From:

**Aaron Shainis** 

Sent:

Friday, November 02, 2018 10:18 AM

To:

victoria.mccauley@fcc.gov

Cc:

Tom Hutton

Subject:

FW: Eas system

**Attachments:** 

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Vicky, picture of WNBN EAS equipment attached. Best, Aaron

----Original Mess





From:

Tom Hutton <Tom.Hutton@fcc.gov>

Sent:

Friday, June 28, 2019 4:02 PM

To:

**Aaron Shainis** 

Subject:

FW: AM station payment plan question

Aaron, see below re the payment plan issue.

Tom

From: Sarah Stone

Sent: Thursday, June 6, 2019 4:33 PM

To: Tom Hutton < Tom. Hutton@fcc.gov>; Victoria McCauley < Victoria. McCauley@fcc.gov>

Subject: RE: AM station payment plan question

Tom and Victoria: I've just learned that even for small companies we ask for financial statements, current within 90 days of the ask, to include a balance sheet; profit and loss and cash flow statements for the past 12 months; and revenue and cash flow projections for the next 12 months. However, when working with the smaller concerns, we don't always get what we ask for, and can still do a deal if what the company provides shows that it doesn't have the financial wherewithal to make a lump sum payment, but is sufficiently afloat to make the installment payments (this is where CF projections come into play). Obviously, our preference is to get as complete of a financial picture as possible though. I hope that helps. Please call me with questions, etc. Thanks. Sally

From: Tom Hutton

**Sent:** Friday, May 24, 2019 12:18 PM **To:** Sarah Stone <Sarah.Stone@fcc.gov>

Cc: Victoria McCauley < Victoria. McCauley@fcc.gov>

Subject: AM station payment plan question

Sally, we are negotiating a consent decree with a troubled AM station in Mississippi. The consent decree will call for a payment in the range of \$10-12K. They have asked if they can make monthly \$500 payments. Would that work, and who is the best person to send that to once we reach a deal?

Thanks,

Tom





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working out the details of providing the approval that the station operators thought they had As prosecutors prepare for a trial scheduled to begin July 8, FCC officials in Washington are

Waple retired, according to McKinney Ben F. Waple. Some of the papers with Waple's signature were issued to Bond's clients after were receiving pre-printed authorization forms bearing the signature of the former FCC secretary James C. McKinney, chief of the commission's mass media bureau, said it appeared Bond's clients

It was obvious someone was "taking pads of paper and issuing licenses" he said. People were "putting stations on the air that we didn't even know about,"

sorted out, once the problems were discovered Station owners generally agreed the FCC did everything it could to help the stations get things

Julia and John Frew, who built a new tower in Cartersville, Ga., and moved the antenna of WYXC-

At High Point College in High Point, N.C. student-operated WWIH was running tests of its new

FM to it said they eventually got proper approval











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station operators to shut it down because it was not properly licensed 100-watt transmitter from a new higher tower in March of 1983 when the FCC called and told

document, wherein it was not," she said. college who dealt with Bond. "The document we received, we assumed to be a true and valid "There were a lot of tears around here," said Ethylene R. Charnock, one of the people at the

getting our 100-watt license." "The FCC has been most helpful and most cooperative," she said. "We are now in the process of

It's clear Bond's clients "didn't know any better," McKinney said

A number of telephone companies in the Southeast also fell victim to the alleged scheme.

applied for and appeared to obtain a construction permit for a paging system, but it "turned out to be a false permit." Attorney Charles Smith said his client, Camden Telephone and Telegraph Co., of St. Mary's, Ga.,

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and a \$10,000 fine. The penalty on each of the 28 counts of wire fraud with which Bond is charged is five years in jail

There was no answer at the phone number listed for Bond in Winston-Salem area of North

His attorney, Fred Harwell, said Bond entered a plea of not guilty on all charges















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emotional condition "that may have affected the defendant's culpability." Harwell said a motion has been filed to use expert witnesses to testify on Bond's mental or

He refused to elaborate or comment further.

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