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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-16-48 SEE CARD 2 Call letters W.H.Q.S.  
 X JOHN H. JONES AND JEFFIE JONES, d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY  
 X BARRETT C. SHELTON AND JOHN H. JONES, d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 3-14-51 Eff: 4-7-51) AL-2-3-56,  
 (Al 9-23-49; EFF: 10-24-49 EFF: 2-15-56)  
 X CLAUDIA E. KINNEY, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF H. H. KINNEY, DECEASED,  
 AND D. T. KINNEY, A Partnership d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY  
 Name of licensee X H. H. KINNEY and D. T. KINNEY, A Partnership d/b as NORTH ALABAMA  
 BROADCASTING COMPANY

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Transmitter location 2nd Street, West, Decatur, Alabama (MP 8-6-48)(Lic. 11-16-48)

X 406 Bank St., Decatur, Alabama (Tr. 5-26-69 Eff: 8-1-69)

X Chenault Building, 107 Grant Street, Decatur, Alabama (BRC-12-31-62)

X 2nd Fl. Masonic Bldg., Johnston St., Decatur, Alabama (BRC-256)

X 212 Jackson Street, Decatur, Alabama (1-30-52)

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X 2nd Street, West, Decatur, Alabama (ML 2-28-50)

Main studio location X 212 Jackson Street, Decatur, Alabama (MP 8-6-48) (Lic. 11-16-48)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BP-5665	6-3-47	800	1 kw	Daytime	
Ltr. 7-2-47. C.P. for new station granted subject to filing NP for T site and antenna.					
BP-5665	8-6-48	800	1kw	Daytime	10-6 4-6-49
BMP-3355	Mod. CP (5665) for approval of antenna, T and studio sites.				
BL-3381	11-16-48	800	1kw	Daytime	11-16 11-1-49
Lic. to cover CP (5665 as mod) for a new station.					
BAL-919	9-23-49	Invol. assignment of license to Claudia E. Kinney, Administratrix of the estate of H. H. Kinney, deceased and D. T. Kinney, A Partnership d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company			
EFF:	10-24-49				
BS-2166	10-22-49	Extension of license			11-1 3-1-50
BR-2166	2-21-50	800	1kw	Daytime	2-21 11-1-52
BML-1401	2-28-50	800	1kw	Daytime	2-28 11-1-52
Mod. of lic. to change studio location (COND. CLAUSE)					
BAL-1136	3-14-51	Voluntary assignment of license to BARRETT C. SHELTON and JOHN H. JONES d/b as NORTH ALABAMA B/CING COMPANY			
Eff:	4-7-51				
BL-3317	8-20-51	800	1kw	D	8-20 11-1-52
Determine operating power by direct measurement					
BR-2166	10-15-52	800kc	1kw-LS	Daytime	11-1 4-1-55
BZ-3484	5-28-53	800kc	1kw	Day	5-28-53 4-1-55
(1)	Determine operating power by direct measurement				
BRC-134	8-10-53	Mod. Lic. to operate trans. by Remote Control from 212 Jackson St., Decatur, Ala.			
(2)					
BRC-256	12-17-53	Mod. of BRC-134 to operate trans. by R.C. from 2nd Floor Masonic Bldg., Johnston St., Decatur, Alabama			
(3)					
BR-2166	3-9-55	800kc	1 kw	Day	4-1 4-1-58
BAL-2208	2-8-56	VOL. assignment of license to John H. Jones and Jeffie Jones, d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company			
EFF:	2-15-56				
BP-10828	10-19-56	800kc	1kw	Day	12-19-56 8-19-57
CP to install new transmitter					

June 1954

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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W H O S

DIXIE BROADCASTING, INC. (VOL. AL 4-13-70 EFF: 4-15-70)

Name of licensee ~~JOHN H. JONES, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF LITTLE JONES~~  
~~INDIAN, et/AS NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY~~

Transmitter location .....

ZIP: 35601

Main studio location No. 2-B, 401-14th Street, S.E., Decatur, Alabama (LETTER - 11-13-81)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BL-6416 Lic.	12-10-56	800kc	1kw	Day	12-10 4-1-58
to cover CP(BP-10,828) to install new transmitter.					
BR-2166	3-19-58	Renewal	of license		4-1 4-1-61
BR-2166	3-29-61	Renewal	of license		4-1 4-1-64
BRC-2168 (1)	12-31-62	Mod. of	license to change	studio loc.	
		and remote control point		to Chenault	
		Bldg., 107 Grant Street,		Decatur, Ala.	
BR-2166	3-24-64	800kc	1kw	Day	4-1 4-1-67
BAL-5718 EFF:	3-31-66 5-1-66	Involuntary assignment of license to JOHN H. JONES, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF JEFFIE JONES DECEASED, tr/as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCAST- ING COMPANY			
BR-2166	3-29-67	800kc	1kw	Day	4-1 4-1-70
BZ-6847(1) Ltr. Eff:	6-24-68 5-26-69 8-1-69	Direct Meas.			
		Studio & RC:	LOC Bank St.,	Decatur, Ala.	
BR-2166	4-1-70	RENEWAL			4-1-73
BAL-6837	4-13-70	VOL. AL	EFF: 4-15-70		
TELEGRAM	12-3-70	PSA	250w		
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-2166(L)	3-30-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
BR-2166(S)	4-21-76	Renewal			4-1-79
BTC-7768	4/20/76	Vol TC	EFF: 6/1/76		
BR78120120 (S)	6-15-79	RENEWAL	OF LICENSE		4-1-82
LETTER	11-13-81	SL & RC	now Loc. at: No. 2-B, 401-14th Street, S.E., Decatur, Alabama		

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call      W H O S  
Letters      New

Name H.H.KINNEY and D.T.KINNEY, a partnership d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY  
(PO 109-6th Avenue, East, Cullman, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-5665	1-29-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 800kc Power: 1kw Hours of operation: Daytime only Trans. location: To be determined-Decatur, Alabama Studio location: Same (Filed by John C. Spearman, Atty.; Lester H. Carr, Engr.	GRANTED	6-3-47
Rec'd	1-29-47		subject filing MP for	
Filed	1-29-47		T site and antenna Ltr. 7-2-47	
			Issued with MP 3355	

Transmitter-W.E. 443A-1

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call

Letters WHOSName H.H. KINNEY and D.T. KINNEY, a partnership d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3355 Rec'd Filed	11-12-47 11-14-47 11-14-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-5665, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio locations at <del>On-Bee-Line-Highway-(U.S.-31)-approx.</del> <del>1 1/2 miles North of</del> Decatur, Alabama.  (Filed by John C. Spearman, Atty.; Lester H. Carr, Engr.)	GRANTED	8-6-48
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	6-26-48 6-28-48 6-28-48	AMENDED to change studio & transmitter location from On Bee Line Highway (U.S. 31), approx. 1 1/2 miles North of Decatur, Alabama to 212 Jackson Street and 2nd Street West, Decatur, Alabama, respectively.		
BL-3381 Rec'd Filed	9-28-48 9-29-48 9-29-48	License to cover C. P. (BP-5665, as mod..) authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	11-16-48

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

CLAUDIA E. KINNEY, ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF H. H. KINNEY, DECEASED, AND  
 D. T. KINNEY, A Partnership d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY  
 x H. H. KINNEY and D. T. KINNEY, A Partnership d/b as Letters W H O S

Name NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-919	8-15-49	Involuntary assignment of license from H. H. Kinney, deceased and D. T. Kinney, A Partnership d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company to Claudia E. Kinney, Administratrix of the estate of H. H. Kinney, deceased and D. T. Kinney, A Partnership d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED	9-23-49
Rec'd	8-22-49		EFF:	10-24-49
Filed	8-22-49			
BR-2166	8-17-49	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	2-21-50
Rec'd	8-25-49			

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

BARRETT C. SHELTON and JOHN H. JONES D/b as NORTH ALABAMA  
 BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 3-14-51 Eff: )  
 Name X Claudia E. Kinney, Administratrix of the Estate of H. H. Kinney, Deceased  
 and D. T. Kinney, A Partnership d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BML-1401 Rec'd Filed	2-7-50 2-9-50 2-9-50	Modification of License to change studio location from: 212 Jackson Street, Decatur, Alabama to: 2nd. Street, West, Decatur, Alabama.	GRANTED re waiver to permit identification of its location as Decatur, Ala.	2-28-50 Sec. 3.30(a)
BAL-1136 Rec'd Filed	1-27-51 1-31-51 1-31-51	Voluntary assignment of license from Claudia E. Kinney, Administratrix of the Estate of H. H. Kinney, Deceased and D. T. Kinney, A Partnership d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company to Barrett C. Shelton and John H. Jones d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED Eff: 4-7-51	3-14-51
BZ-3317 Rec'd. Resubmitted Resubmitted Filed	8-10-51 7-9-51 7-25-51 8-13-51 8-13-51	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	<del>RETURNED</del> <del>Form 302 not submitted.</del> <del>RETURNED</del> <del>8-3-51 not</del> <del>properly verified and</del> <del>notarized</del> GRANTED	<del>7-16-51</del> 8-20-51

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Name BARRETT C. SHELTON AND JOHN H. JONES, d/b as  
NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 3-14-51 Eff: 4-7-51)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2166 Rec'd Filed	6-23-52 6-25-52 6-25-52	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10-15-52
BZ-3484 Rec'd Filed	4-30-53 5-4-53 5-4-53	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	5-28-53
BRC-134 Rec'd Filed	7-21-53 7-23-53 7-23-53	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 212 Jackson Street, Decatur, Alabama.	GRANTED	8-10-53
ERC-256 Rec'd Filed	12-5-53 12-7-53 12-7-53	Modification of ERC-134 to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 2nd Floor Masonic Bldg., Johnston Street, Decatur, Alabama.	GRANTED	12-17-53

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FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

JOHN H. JONES AND JEFFIE JONES, d/b as NORTH ALABAMA  
 Name ~~JOHN H. JONES AND JEFFIE JONES~~ C. SHELTON AND JOHN H. JONES, d/b as BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 2-8-56)  
 NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 3-14-51 Eff: 4-7-51)

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2166 Rec'd Filed	12-29-54 12-31-54 12-31-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-9-55
BAL-2208 Rec'd Filed	12-31-55 1-9-56 1-9-56	Voluntary assignment of license to John H. Jones and Jeffie Jones, d/b as North Alabama Broadcasting Co.	GRANTED EFF:	2-8-56 2-15-56
BP-10,828 Rec'd Filed	9-28-56 10-1-56 10-1-56	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000A).	GRANTED	10-19-56
BL-6416 Rec'd Filed	11-20-56 11-23-56 11-23-56	License to cover Construction Permit BP-10,828 which authorized installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	12-10-56
BR-2166 Rec'd Filed	12-30-57 1-6-58 1-6-58	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3/19/58

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955 JOHN H. JONES, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS EXECUTOR OF THE

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Letters

ESTATE OF JEFFIE JONES DECEASED, tr/as NORTH ALABAMA

BROADCASTING COMPANY

Name

JOHN H. JONES AND JEFFIE JONES d/b as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY

DECATUR, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2166 Rec'd Filed	12-30-60 1-3-61 1-3-61	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	3-29-61
BRC-2168 Rec'd Filed	12-18-62 12-19-62 12-19-62	Modification of license to change studio location and remote control point to Chenault Building, 107 Grant Street, Decatur, Alabama.	GRANTED	12-31-62
BR-2166 R & F	12-30-63 1-2-64	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-24-64
BAL-5718 R & F (Form 316)	3-15-66 3-18-66	Involuntary assignment of license to John H. Jones, Individually and as Executor of the Estate of Jeffie Jones, Deceased, tr/as North Alabama Broadcasting Company	GRANTED EFF:	3-31-66 5-1-66
BR-2166 R & F	12-15-66 12-29-66	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-29-67
BZ-6847 R & F DM JUN 17 1968	5/4/68 5/6/68 5/20/68	Direct Meas.	GRANTED	6-24-68

AUG. 1955

DIXIE BROADCASTING, INC.

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Letters W H O S

X John H. Jones, Individually and as Executor of the  
 Name Estate of Jeffie Jones, Deceased, tr/as NORTH ALABAMA BROADCASTING COMPANY  
 Decatur, Ala. 35601

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
HAL-6837 R & F FEE PD: \$30 (Form 316) also see FM	1-2-70 1-7-70 #569099 WDRM) FEB 3 - 1970	Voluntary assignment of license to DIXIE BROADCASTING, INC.	GRANTED EFF:	4-13-70 4-15-70
BR-2166 R & F #564583 \$75. P.N.	12-19-69 12-23-69 12-23-69 12-23-69	Renewal of License AMENDED 3-19-70 re: financial data	GRANTED	4-1-70
BR-2166 R & F P.N. PRESS	12-20-72 12-29-72 12-29-72 10	Renewal of License AMENDED 3-23-73 re: ascert of comm. needs; employment policy	GRANTED	3-30-72
--- BTC Reg's FEE PD: \$1000 #286695 CODE 047 (ALSO SEE WDRM) RESUBMITTED FILED (SEE CARD #9)	3-1-74 3-4-74 12-17-74	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from John H. Jones & Louis C. Blizzard to Forrest Travis Broadcasting Company, Inc. (SEE OVER) (FM) Atty - Smith & Pepper (M. Fowler) AMENDED 12-27-74 to change transferee to INTERNATIONAL TELEVISION CORPORATION signature page of transferors; re Sec. VI	RETURNED per Sec. 1.568(b) SEE CARD #9	12-16-74

RE: BRC-                      Atty was called 3-11-74 - signature of  
Louis Blizzard nec.      ARTICLES ETC on transferee - referred  
to WMSL-TV

RE BTC-7768 (ABOVE) - COMPLETE FCC FORM 315 & EXHIBITS  
FILED 5-9-75 (SEE CARD #9)

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W H O SName DIXIE BROADCASTING, INC.  
Decatur, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-7768 R & F (SEE CARD #8 FOR FEE PD) JUN 3 1975 FM filed 9-4-75 AMEND R & F	4-24-75 5-9-75 SEP 8 1975 9-2-75 9-4-75	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from John H. Jones and Louis C. Blizzard to International-Television-Corporation (SEE OVER) Atty - Smith & Pepper (M. Fowler) AMENDED to chge transferee to Martin Broad- casting of Alabama, Inc. (revised Part III) & 1975 transferor - current bal. sheet; consent to assignment agreement (SEE OVER)	GRANTED EFF: FEE REQ: pd W 577152	4/20/76 6/1/76 6/9/76
BR-2166 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-26-75 12-1-75 FEB 2 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Mark S. Fowler, Atty.	GRANTED	4-21-76

RE: TC-7768 - ART ETC on file with WEZF-FM) (Vermont corp)

NOTE: FORM 315 first rec'd <sup>3-4-74</sup> ~~12-16-74~~ PET'D 12-16-74 (per  
Sec.1.568(b) RESUB.12-17-74 -(chge transferee)

NEW FORM 315 filed 5-9-75

AMENDED 8-26-75 - Statement re Multiple Ownership(TV WYUR)  
financial & engr. data

(SEE FRONT OF CARD FOR FORMAL AMENDMENT FILED 9-4-75)

AMENDED 11-19-75 re affiliation TV WYUR; programming data

AMENDED 4-19-76 - to reflect pending assignment WSWB-TV  
(transferee)

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Form BC-121

May 1976

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W H O SName DIXIE BROADCASTING, INC.  
DECATUR, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR 781201 ZO PRESS	FEB 14 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE David Meyers, Atty.	GRANTED	6-15-79
BZ-810630AH R & F DM PRESS	6-30-81 JUL 29 1981	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: David Meyers (Becker, Gurman, Lukas, Meyer & O'Brien, P.C.)	gr.	7-13-81 <b>ISSUED</b>

W H O S - RECORD OF DENIAL OF INFORMAL APPLICATIONS

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Telegram 10-28-48 advising applicant that request for  
STA for 11-2-48 not considered in accordance  
Sec. 1.324 of the Rules.

## 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. 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 – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). 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. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

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.

