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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-21-61 Call letters W E N Z (Eff: 2-20-61)
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DRUM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (AL 5-25-78 EFF: 7-28-78) Station location Highland Springs, Va.

x BARON RADIO, INC. (AL-9-13-65; EFF: 10-28-65)

x ROBERT H. PRATT, RECEIVER (AL-7-2-65; EFF:

x HENRICO RADIO CORPORATION, (AP 11-8-60; EFF: 22-23-60)

Name of licensee x CHARLES E. SPRINGER

Re-descript)
x Henrico County, Corner of Lowell and Yates, Highland Springs, Virginia (BL-3-16-66/
xx 0.4 mi. S. of Rt. 33, 1 mi. W of Highland Springs, Virginia (BMP 10-7-60)
Transmitter location x NW side of Rt. 156, 1.1 mi. SE of Highland Springs, Va. (EP 7-7-60)

4719 Nine Mile Rd., near Richmond, Virginia (ML grted. 11-30-78)
x 606- $\frac{1}{2}$ East Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs, Virginia (ERC 8-23-61)

Main studio location x NW side of Rt. 156, 1.1 mi. SE of Highland Springs, Va. (EP 7-7-60)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-13122	7-7-60	1450kc	250w	U	28 3-8-61
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1).				
BP-13122 (1)	8-5-60	Mod. of CP(BP-13122) to assign Call Letters.			
BMP-9104 (2)	10-7-60	Mod. of CP(BP-13122) to change trans. and studio loc.			
BAP-501 EFF:	11-8-60 11-23-60	Vol. assignment of CP to Henrico Radio Corporation.			
BP-9355 (3)	3-16-61	Mod. of CP(BP-13122, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 9-7-61.			
BP-9502 (4)	6-8-61	Mod. CP(BP-13122, as mod.) to chg. type trans. (GATES BC-250-GY)			
BRC-1902 (5)	8-23-61	Mod. of CP(BP-13122) to change studio location to 606-1/2 East Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs, Virginia and operate transmitter by Remote Control from studio location.			
AL-8721	9-21-61	1450kc	250w	U	9-21 10-1-63
	Lic. to cover CP (BP-13,122 as mod) which auth.a new standard broadcast station.				
BZ-4597 (2)	5-31-62	1450kc	250w	U	
	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of ant. power.				
BR-4041	2-14-64	1450kc	250w	U RC	2-14 10-1-66
Wire	6-10-65	Auth remain silent thru 9-10-65.			
BAL-5502	7-2-65	Involuntary assignment of license to ROBERT H. PRATT, RECEIVER			
BAL-5541 EFF:	9-13-65 10-28-65	Voluntary assignment of license to BARON RADIO, INC.			
Wire	9-21-65	Ext auth remain silent thru 12-20-65.			
BRC-2764	10-29-65	1450kc	250w	U	10-29 10-1-66
	Mod. of lic. to operate trans. by Remote Control from 111 North 4th Street, Richmond, Virginia (2ND Remote Control)				
Ltr. dated 11-15-65 & rec'd 11-16-65 giving notification per Sect. 73.48(a)(5) Rules that a Collins 20V-3 trans. is now installed & in oper.					

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BL-11,219	3-16-66	1450kc	250w	Aux	3-16-66 10-1-66
		Lic to use former main trans GATES 250GY at main trans loc to be operated on 1450 250w with RC for aux purposes only.			
BRC-2837 (1) 16992	4-4-66	Modification of license to operate Auxiliary Transmitter by remote control from 111 North 4th Street, Richmond, Virginia (Second Remote Control Point)			
BP-16992	7-20-66	1450kc	250w, 1kw	LS U	9-20 3-20-67
		CP to increase daytime power to 1kw (Cond ¹).			
BTC-5134	8-22-66	Voluntary relinquishment of negative control of lic. corp. by each, Ralph J. Baron and Judith A. Baron, thru sale of stock by lic. corp. toNeill McWilliam and George J. Lund			
EFF:	9-2-66				
BR-4041	9-1-66	1450kc	250w	U	10-1 10-1-69
		1450kc	250w	Aux.	10-1 10-1-69
BL-11,424	10-24-66	1450kc	250w, 1kw	LS U	10-24 10-1-69
		Lic to cover CP(BP-16,992) which auth incr. daytime power (COLLINS 20V3)			
BL-11,424	1-17-68	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.			
(1)					
BR-4041(S)	7-22-70	Renewal of Main & Aux.(L)			8-1-71
		Renewal of NDEA			SHORT-TERM
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-4041(S)	11-22-72	RENEWAL MAIN & AUX. (short term)			12-1-73
BR-4041(L)	12-12-73	RENEWAL OF MAIN & AUX.			10-1-75
BR-4041(S)	9-23-75	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			10-1-78
BAL-9293	5-25-78	VOL. AD EFF: 7-28-78			
Appl.	11-3-78	Chg. RC to SL			
BML-780919A1	11-30-78	ML to chg. SL & RC			
BR4041(L)	7-16-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE SUPERSEDED TO CORRECT TL & DELETE 2nd pickup			10-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name CHARLES E. SPRINGER

(P.O. Route 2, Box 74; Midlothian, Virginia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-13,122 Rec'd Filed	5-13-59 5-15-59 5-15-59	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1450kc Power - 250w Hours of operation - Unlimited Trans. location - NW side of Route 156; 1.1 mi. SE of Highland Springs, Virginia Studio location - Same as transmitter STATION LOCATION - HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VIRGINIA Engr.- William L. Foss, Inc.	GRANTED Cond'l re: That Charles E. Springer accept any objectionable interf. which may be caused to his oper. as a result of a grant of the application of James J. Williams (BP-11143). After Hearing Docket No. 13263. Order issued.	7-7-60
BP-9104 Rec'd Filed	8-10-60 8-16-60 8-16-60	Modification of construction permit BP-13122, which authorized a new standard broadcast station, to change antenna-trans. and studio location from NW side of Rt.#156, 1.1 mi. SE of Highland Springs, Va. to 0.4 mi. S of Rt.#33, 1 mi. W of Highland springs, Va; make changes in antenna system (in height) and change in ground system Atty's: Mallick & Sornton	GRANTED	10-7-60

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Call W E N Z (2-20-61)
Letters X W L L IName X HENRICO RADIO CORPORATION
Charles E. Springer
HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VA.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAP-501 Rec'd Filed	9-28-60 10-3-60 10-3-60	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Henrico Radio Corporation. Mallick & Bernton, Attys.	GRANTED EFF:	11-8-60 11-23-60
BMP-9355 Rec'd&Filed	2-17-61 2-21-61	Modification of C.P.(BP-13,122 as modified, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 3-8-61 to 9-7-61.	GRANTED to	3-16-61 9-7-61
BMP-9502 R.&F.	5-9-61 5-9-61	Modification of C.P.(BP-13122 as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type trans.(GATES BC250-GY). Atty- Samuel Miller.	GRANTED	6-8-61

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HENRICO RADIO CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-1902 Rec'd Filed	8-16-61 8-17-61 8-17-61	Mod. of CP(BP-13122) to change studio location to 606- $\frac{1}{2}$ East Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs, Virginia and operate transmitter by Remote Control from studio location.	GRANTED	8-23-61
BL-8721 R. & F.	8-16-61 8-17-61	License to cover C.P. (BP-13,122 as mod.) which auth. a new standard broadcast station. Atty: Samuel Miller	GRANTED	9-21-61
BZ-4657 R. & F.	4-3-62 4-6-62	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty- Samuel Miller	GRANTED	5-31-62

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BARON RADIO, INC.

Name ☒ ROBERT H. PRATT, RECEIVER
☒ HENRICO RADIO CORPORATION

Highland Springs, Va.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4041 Rec'd Filed	9-16-63 9-16-63 9-16-63	Renewal of license---10-1-63 Atty. Samuel Miller	GRANTED	2-14-64
Let. dated 6-3-65 "Due to financial difficulties temporarily discontinuing operation" etc				
LTR. dated 6-1-65 from Atty. Fisher for Robert Pratt, Special Receiver re ext. time remain silent B/C 6-10-65				
BAL-5502 R & F	6-16-65 6-17-65	Involuntary assignment of license to ROBERT H. PRATT, RECEIVER Atty. - Fisher, Wayland etc	GRANTED	7-2-65
BAL-5541 R & F	8-4-65 8-4-65	Voluntary assignment of license to BARON RADIO, INC. Atty for assignor - Ben C. Fisher Atty for assignee - Mallyck & Bernton F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED EFF:	9-13-65 10-28-65

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BARON RADIO, INC.

Name **XX ROBERT H. PRATT, RECEIVER**
Highland Springs, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRC-2764 Rec'd Filed	9-28-65 10-13-65 10-13-65	Modification of license to operate Transmitter by remote control from 111 North 4th Street, Richmond, Virginia (SECOND REMOTE CONTROL POINT). Ben C. Fisher, Atty. AMENDED 10-29-65 to chg. name to BARON RADIO, INC.	ENR GRANTED	10-29-65
BP-16,992 R. & F.	10-28-65 10-29-65	CP to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw. Atty: Mallyck & Pernton Engr: Willis C. Beecher	GRANTED Cond'l re: Sections 73.48 and 2.579	7-20-66
BRC-2837 R & F <i>See Cond 6</i>	2-18-66 2-23-66	Modification of license to operate Auxiliary transmitter by remote control from 111 North 4th Street, Richmond, Virginia (SECOND REMOTE CONTROL POINT). E. Theodore Mallyck, Atty.	GRANTED	4-4-66

CONTACT: Ralph J. Baron
TELEPHONE: Code 703; 643-7436
ADDRESS: 11 W. 12th Street
Richmond, Virginia

AND/OR

CONTACT: Mr. Gene Hallyck
Hallyck and Bernton
ADDRESS: 621 Colorado Building
Washington, D. C.

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Name BARON RADIO, INC.
Highland Springs, Va.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,219 R & F <i>See Contd 5</i>	12/1/65 12/3/65	Lic. to use former main trans. Gates 250 GY at main trans. loc. to be operated on 1450kc 250w with remote control, for aux. purposes only. Attys: Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	3-16-66
BR-4041 R & F	6-16-66 6-17-66	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty- Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	9-1-66
BTC-5134 R & F (Form 316)	6-29-66 7-6-66	Voluntary relinquishment of negative control of lic. corp. by each, Ralph J. Baron and Judith M. Baron, thru sale of stock by lic. corp. to Neill McMillian and George J. Lund Atty - Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED EFF:	8-22-66 9-2-66

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Name BARON RADIO, INC.
Highland Springs, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,424 R & F	7/25/66 7/26/66	Lic. to cover GP (EP-16,992) which auth. incr. daytime power. (COLLINS 20V-3) Atty: Mallyck & Bernton (Main)	GRANTED	10-24-66
BL-5726 R & F DM-1/3/68	12/8/67 12/12/67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of ant. power. (Aux.) Atty: E. Theodore Mallyck	GRANTED	1-19-68
BL-4041 R & F	6-16-69 6-19-69	Renewal of license (Main & Aux.) Atty - Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	7-22-69
#523592 \$75. #523593 \$30. PRESS	6-19-69 6-19-69	AMENDED 8-7-69 re: Programming	GRANTED	7-22-70
7-22-70 The Commission on 7-22-70 notified station WENZ of apparent liability for \$1,000.				
3-11-71 Annual filing fee \$80.00 paid 9-24-70. #631993.				

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LettersName **BARON RADIO, INC.**
HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4041 R & F PN Press <i>PN</i>	4-26-71 5-3-71 3-30-71 MAY 13 1971 8-31-72	RENEWAL OF (MAIN & AUXILIARY) ATTY-MALLYCK & BERNTON AMENDED 6-18-71 re: balance sheet; comm. matter SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 9-1-72 as Amendment to pending renewal application	GRANTED (short term) to	11-22-72 12-1-73
The Commission by ltrs. of 10- 5-72 notified station WENZ liability of \$1,000 for violations of Sec. 1.526(d), 1.615(c)				
The Commission by Memorandum Opinion & Order adopted 11-22-72 ordered station WENZ to pay forfeiture of \$1,000.				
BR-4041 R & F P.N. PRESS	9-2-73 9-5-73 9-5-73 26 SEP 1973	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) (Short Term) Atty.: William Bernton AMENDED 10-9-73 re: date of Section 1 AMENDED 10-24-73 re: EEO program	GRANTED	12-12-73

(BR-4041) Atty. was called 9-24-73 re: Sect. II dated
after Sect. I

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September 1969

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DRUM COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Name *BARON RADIO, INC.HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4041	5-29-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	9-23-75
R & F	6-2-75	AMENDED 8-20-75 re: EEO		
PN Recd.	"			
PRESS	JUN 30 1975			

DAL-9293	2-3-78	Voluntary assignment of license to	GRANTED	5-25-78
Rec'd	2-16-78	DRUM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (see over)	EFF:	7-28-78
PCRM 314				
FILED	2-22-78	Atty for assignor - Smith & Penner (E. Mallick)		
(Cert Art filed)		for assignee - Fly, Shuebruk etc		
MAR 3 1978		Articles of Incorporation and Section IV-A-1A		
PN FILED	3-6-78	(community leader interviews) FILED 2-22-78		

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ATTY WAS CALLED 2-21-78 - Settled Art nec. 2-22-78

BAL-9293 Amended 4³-5-78 re: ascer. of comm needs;
proposed programming & proposed commercial policy

AMEND D 5-22-78 legal & fin. data

AMENDED 7-21-78 re: EEO information

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DRUM COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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Letters W E N ZName X BARON RADIO, INC.HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VIRGINIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4041 R & F PRESS	5-17-78 5-18-78 MAY 25 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	7 16 79
BML-780919AI PRESS:	OCT 2 1978	Mod. of License to chg. SL to: 4719 Nine Mile Rd., near Richmond, Virginia; delete RC (outside city limits) REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210(a) OF COMMISSION'S RULES. Atty: Jerome S. Boros (Fly, Shuebruk, etc.)	GRANTED	11-30-78
BR810529UE PRESS:		Renewal of License Atty: Jerome S. Boros		

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 12th 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 one set is known to 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.

