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FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-2-62

Call letters WVHA - FM

Station location Tuscumbia, Alabama

Name of licensee ELTON H. DARBY

0.2 mi S of jct 2nd Ave & Hwy #72, Tuscumbia, Ala. (PH 6-29-65)

Transmitter location X River Oaks Shopping Center, Hatch Boulevard, Sheffield, Alabama

ZIP 35674

509 N. Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama (BRCH 2-10-64)

Main Studio Location X112 South Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
BPH-3331 HAAT: 64 ft. Construction permit	7-26-61	100.3mc Ch. 262	3.1kw TPO: 1kw	Unl	7-26-61 3-26-62
BRCH-340 (1)	9-28-61	Mod. of CP(BPH-3331) to operate trans. by remote control from 112 South Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama.			
BLH-1990	5-2-62	100.3mcs	3.1kw	U	5-2 4-1-64
	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3331 as mod) which auth. a new FM B/C Station and spec. an ITA FM-1000C trans.				
BRCH-496 (1)	2-10-64	Mod. of license to change studio loc. and remote control point to 509 N. Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama.			
	3-25-64	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BRH-1309	4-16-64	100.3mcs.	3.1kw	U	4-16 4-1-67
BPH-4928 HAAT: 275'	6-29-65	100.3mcs Ch. #262	ERP: 3.1kw TPO: 1kw	Unl.	8-29-65 2-28-66
	CP to chg. ant.-trans. loc.; install new ant. (Jampro JA-46, 4 secs.); and incr. HAAT. (Cond'1)				
BLH-3230 HAAT: 275'	5-31-66	100.3mcs CH. #262	ERP: 3.1kw TPO: 1kw	U	5-31 4-1-67
	Lic to cover CP(BPH-4928) which auth chg. ant-trans loc., install new ant & chg. HAAT (incr.				
BRH-1309	3-29-67	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-70
BRH-1309(S)	6-29-70	Renewal			4-1-73
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-1309(S)	6-12-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
BPH-8910 HAAT: 245ft(H&V)	10-3-74	100.3mhz	ERP: 100kw(H) 84kw(V)		10-3-75
	CP install new trans, new ant, chg ERP, HAAT, & transmission line (RC)				
BLH-6812(L)	10-23-75	Lic.(BPH-8910)-Changes.			4-1-76
BRH-1309(S)	10-22-76	Renewal of license			4-1-79

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters ~~new~~ W.V.H.A. - FMName **ELTON H. DARBY****Tuscumbia, Alabama (P.O. - 112 South Main St., Tuscumbia, Ala)**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3331	4-1-61	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast	GRANTED	7-26-61
Rec'd	4-4-61	station to be operated on:		
Filed	4-4-61	Frequency - 100.3mc CH 262		
		ERP - 3.071kw		
		Type transmitter - ITA FM 1000B		
		Type antenna - JAMPRO JA-4 (4 section)		
		HAAT 84 ft		
		Trans. location - River Oaks Shopping Center		
		Hatch Blvd., Sheffield, Alabama		
		Studio location - 1125 S. Main, Tuscumbia, Ala.		
		Engr. - Kear & Kennedy		

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Letters **WVNA-FM**Name **ELTON H. DARBY**
TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-340 Rec'd Filed	9-21-61 9-22-61 9-22-61	Mod. of CP(BPH-3331) to operate transmitter by remote control from 112 South Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama.	GRANTED	9-28-61
BLH-1990 R & F	10-23-61 10-25-61	License to cover C.P. (BPH-3331 as modified) which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station and specify an ITA FM-1000C transmitter.	GRANTED	5-2-62
BRCH-496 Rec'd Filed	1-9-64 2-3-64 2-3-64	Modification of license to change studio location and remote control point <u>to</u> 509 N. Main Street, Tuscumbia, Alabama.	GRANTED	2-10-64
BRH-1309 R & F	1-29-64 2-27-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-16-64
BPH-4928 H&F	4-30-65 5-7-65	Construction permit to change ant-trans location to .2 mi. S. of Junction 2nd Avenue and Hwy. 72, at field Tuscumbia, Alabama; increase HAAT to 277', and change type ant (Jampro-JA-4B, 4 sections).	GRANTED	6-29-65
		F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	Cond'l re submit 302s	WVNA (AM)

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Name **ELTON H. DARBY**
Tuscumbia, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-3230 Rec'd Filed	1/11/66 1/14/66 2/9/66	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4928) which auth. chng. ant-trans. loc., install new ant. & chng. HAAT. (incr.)	GRANTED	5-31-66
BRH-1309 R & F	12-30-66 1-4-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-29-67
BRH-1309 R & F #568167 \$75. P.N.	1-2-70 1-5-70 1-5-70 1-5-70	Renewal of License	GRANTED	6-29-70
BRH-1309 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	12-28-72 1-2-73 JAN 17 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	6-12-73

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

100.3mhz

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Name Elton H. Darby
Tuscumbia, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-8910	2-15-74	CP to install new trans. (RCA BTF-20E1); install new ant. (RCA BFG-10, 10 sects. (H&V); chg. transmission line; change ERP: 100KW(H) 83.5KW(V) and HAAT: 226' - (H&V).	Returned	3-5-74
Rec'd	2-21-74		Sect. 72.213 of Comm. Rules	
#282614 \$200	2-22-74			
Code 013				
Press	MAR 8 1974	Engr. Data: Chg. HAAT: 245' (H&V).	GRANTED	10-3-74
Resub. & Filed	4-1-74		COND'L	
Press	APR 5 1974		Gr. Fee Req. \$1800	
P. N. Rec'd			Pd 014	10-30-74
AMENDED	5-13-74	Financial Data. Section IV-A.	W359173.	
Press: MAY 9 1974				
AMENDED	6-28-74			
AMENDED	9-23-74	Lic. (BPH-8910) - Changes. ERP: 100kw.		
BLH-6812	9-5-75		GRANTED	10-23-75
Rec'd	9-8-75			
W 475532-\$100.	9-17-75-001			
Filed	9-17-75			
PTA	9-18-75			
PRESS	OCT 1 1975			

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100.3 mhz

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September 1969

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Name **ELTON H. DARBY**
TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1309 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-28-75 12-1-75 " JAN 12 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	10-22-76
BRH781204VJ PRESS:	FEB 7 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 9-2-80 re: EEO		

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

