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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 1-7-53

Call letters W.J.A.Z.

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x ROY MORRIS DOWDY (GENERAL PARTNER) ET. AL. (A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP)  
dba DOWDY BROTHERS BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL. 2-6-75; EFF: 2-28-75)

x JAMES S. RIVERS, INC. (AL 6-16-55 EFF: 7-1-55)

x JAMES S. RIVERS, DORIS R. RIVERS, AND BRUCE SMITH d/b as RADIO STATION WJAZ  
(AL 7-22-53 EFF: 8-1-53)

Name of licensee x JAMES S. RIVERS tr/as THE SOUTHEASTERN BROADCASTING SYSTEM

(Redescription) N.E. Corner Schley Ave. &amp; Slappey Dr. U.S. Rte 19 Albany Georgia

Transmitter location North Slappey Drive, 0.5 mile north of city limits of Albany, Ga. (CP 9-10-52) (Lic. 1-7-53)

(Redescription) 2700 N. Slappey Drive Albany, Ga.

Main studio location North Slappey Drive., 0.5 mile north of city limits, Albany, Ga.  
CP 9-10-52 (Lic. 1-7-53)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-8053 Ltr. 7-3-52	6-25-52	1050	250w	Daytime	CP granted for new station subject to filing M for approval of T site & antenna
BP-8053 BMP-5928	9-10-52	1050	250w	Daytime	11-10 5-10-53 Mod. CP (8053) for approval T & S sites, antenna and change type transmitter
BMP-6041	11-19-52	1050	250w	Day	1-19-53 7-19-53 Mod. CP (BP8053, as mod.) to change type trans.
BL-4855	1-7-53	1050	250w	Day	1-7-53 4-1-55 Lic. cover CP(8053) as mod for new station
BAL-1531 EFF:	7-22-53 8-1-53	Vol. assignment of license to JAMES S. RIVERS, DORIS R. RIVERS, AND BRUCE SMITH d/b as RADIO STATION WJAZ.			
BP-8955	1-20-54	1050	1kw	Day	3-20-54 9-20-54 CP increase power & install new trans.
BL-5273 (1)	5-7-54	Lic. cover C.P. (8955) to incr. power to 1 kw.; install new T; and convert obstruction marking specifications			
Telegram	3-30-55	Action on renewal deferred 3-30-55 & continued operation auth. until final determination on renewal.			
BR-2765	4-27-55	1050kc	1 kw	Day	4-27 4-1-58
BAL-2050 FF:	6-16-55 7-1-55	Vol. assignment of license to James S. Rivers, Inc.			
BR-2765	3-26-58	1050	1kw	Day	4-1 4-1-61
BZ-3994 (1)	6-9-58	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			
BP-11220	1-7-59	960kc	5kw-DA	Day	3-7 9-7-59 CP to change frequency; increase power; install directional antenna (DA-D) make changes in antenna (TOP loading) and gr. system and install new trans. (Cond'l)
BMP-8536 (1)	6-18-59	Mod. of CP (BP-11,220) for change in Type Transmitter.			
BMP-8726 (2)	10-2-59	Mod. of CP (BP-11,220 as mod) for extension completion date to 12-15-59			



Form BC 126 #2  
June 1954

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Station location .....

CHARLES E. FINNEY (AL: 2-29-80 EFF:

x DOWDY BROTHERS BROADCASTING COMPANY (A Limited Partnership) (Roy Morris Dowdy,  
General Partner)

Name of licensee xSee Card #1 .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BMP-8816 (3)	12-28-59	Mod. of CP(BP-11220 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 2-1-60.			
BL-7800	6-21-60	License to cover construction permit (BP-11,220 as mod.) which authorized change in frequency, increase power, install directional antenna, change in antenna and ground system and install new transmitter.			
		960kc	5kw-DA	D	6-21-60 4-1-61
	3-29-61	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2765	5-3-61	960kc	5kw	Day-DA	5-3 4-1-64
BR-2765	3-17-64	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-67
BS-2765 (1)	1-8-65	Mod. of license to change the description of the Directional Antenna System (Memo).			
BR-2765	3-29-67	960kc	5kw DA-D	Day	4-1 4-1-70
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BP-18,714 FORFEITED	6-18-70	960kc	5kw DA-D	Day	2-18-71
		CP to increase height of #1 tower.			
BR-2765(S)	7-15-70	Renewal			4-1-73
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-2765(L)	4-23-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
Telegram	8-2-74	Trans. GATES BC-5H			
BAL-8317	2-6-75	Vol. AL.		EFF:	2-28-75
BL-13,810(L)	3-26-75	Lic. to use former main as alternate trans.			4-1-76
BL-13,810(L)	3-26-75	page 1 superseded to correct Name of Licensee			4-1-76
BR-2765	11-4-77	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-79
BZ-9559(L)	12-29-77	Direct Measurement			4-1-79
BR-781127	10-30-79	RENEWAL			4-1-82
BAL791221	2-29-80	VOL. AL		EFF:	



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name JAMES S. RIVERS tr/as THE SOUTHEASTERN BROADCASTING SYSTEM  
(P.O. Box 432, Cordele, Georgia)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-8053	3-31-51	Construction permit for a new standard broad-		
Rec'd	4-2-51	cast station to be operated on:		
Filed	4-2-51	Frequency: 1050kc	GRANTED	6-25-52
		Power: 250w	subject to filing MP for	
		Hours of Operation: Daytime	approval of T site and	
		Trans. Location: To be determined	antenna	
		Albany, Georgia	Ltr. 7-3-52	
		Studio Location: To be determined		
		Albany, Georgia	Issued with MP-5928	
		Philip M. Baker, Atty.		
		L. C. McCall, Engr.		
		Palatka, Florida		



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~~unassigned~~Name **JAMES S. RIVERS TR/AS THE SOUTHEASTERN BROADCASTING SYSTEM**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-5928 Rec'd Filed	7-2-52 7-3-52 7-3-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-8053, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter and main studio location as N. Slappey Drive, 0.5 mi. N. of City Limits, Albany, Ga. and change type of transmitter (Gates BC-250D).  Philip M. Baker, Atty. L. C. McCall, Engr.	GRANTED	9-10-52
BMP-6041 Rec'd Filed	10-28-52 10-31-52 10-31-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-8053, as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter. (Gates 250 J-1) Philip M. Baker, Atty. L. C. McCall, Engr.	GRANTED	11-19-52



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Letters **W J A Z**

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-4855 Rec'd Filed	11-25-52 11-26-52 11-26-52	License to cover construction permit (BP-8053, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.  W. J. Holey, Engr. Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED	1-7-53
BAL-1531 Rec'd Filed	4-4-53 4-13-53 4-13-53	Voluntary assignment of license to James S. Rivers, Doris R. Rivers, and Bruce Smith, d/b as Radio Station WJAZ.  Philip Baker, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	7-22-53 8-1-53
BP-8955 Rec'd Filed	7-27-53 8-3-53 8-3-53	Construction permit to increase power from 250 watts to 1 kilowatt and install a new transmitter (GATES BC-1F).  Philip M. Baker, Atty. L. C. McCall, Engr.	GRANTED	1-20-54



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Name x **JAMES S. RIVERS, INC. (AL 6-16-55 EFF: 7-1-55)**  
**JAMES S. RIVERS, DORIS R. RIVERS, AND BRUCE SMITH d/b as**  
**RADIO STATION W J A Z**

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-5273 Rec'd Filed	4-3-54 4-7-54 4-7-54	License to cover construction permit (BP-8955) which auth. increase power and installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	5-7-54
BR-2765 Rec'd Filed	12-28-54 1-3-55 1-3-55	Renewal of License	GRANTED	4-27-55
BAL-2050 Rec'd Filed	5-27-55 6-1-55 6-1-55	Voluntary assignment of license to James S. Rivers, Inc.  Philip Baker, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	6-16-55 7-1-55
BP-11,220 Rec'd Filed	3-30-57 4-3-57 4-3-57	Construction permit to change frequency from 1050kc to 960kc.  Atty. - Philip M. Baker Engr. - John H. Mullaney	GRANTED Cond'l re: Phase Mon;; Field meas. equip.; DA & non-DA proof; Permittee shall file sufficient data.	1-7-59

SEE CARD #5 FOR AMENDMENT



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Name JAMES S. RIVERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-11,220 AMENDMENT Rec'd Resubmitted R & F	6-29-57 7-3-57 7-24-57 7-29-57	AMENDED to increase power from 1kw to 5kw; install directional antenna (DA-D); make changes in antenna (Top-loading) and ground system and install new transmitter (Collins 21E). Atty. - Philip M. Baker Engr. - John H. Mullaney AMENDED to make changes in DA system.	RETURNED DOCKET NO. 12463 GRANTED After Hearing Cond'l re phase monitor; field meas. equip.; DA- non-DA proof and current distribution meas.	7-8-57 1-7-59 3-26-58
AMENDMENT R & F BR-2765 Rec'd & Filed	1-2-58 1-16-58 12-2-57 1-2-58	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	
BZ-3994 Rec'd Filed	5-19-58 5-21-58 5-21-58	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Atty: Philip M. Baker	GRANTED	6-8-58



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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-8536	4-22-59	Modification of c.p. (EP-11,220 which authorized change freq.; install directional antenna (DA-D); increase power; make changes in antenna and ground systems and install new transmitter) to change type transmitter (RCA BTA-5H).	<del>RETURNED</del>	<del>4-29-59</del> Re:
Rec'd	4-27-59		Incomplete	
Resub.	5-8-59		GRANTED	6-18-59
Rec'd	5-11-59			
Filed	5-11-59			
		Philip Baker, Atty. John Mullaney, Engr.		
BMP-8726	9-19-59	Modification of C. P. (BP-11220 as modified, which authorized chg. in freq. increase power, instl. DA, chg. in antenna & ground system & instl. new trans.) for extension of completion date from 9-7-59 to 12-15-59.	GRANTED	10-2-59
R & F	9-21-59			
		Atty: Philip M. Baker		



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Name JAMES S. RIVERS, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-PP16 R. & F.	12-5-59 12-7-59	Mod. of construction permit (BP-11,220 as mod. which auth change in freq. ;inc. power, install DA, change in antenna & ground system & install new trans.) for extension of completion date from 12-15-59 to 1-20-60 Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED to	12-28-59 2-1-60
BL-7800 Rec'd Filed	1-16-60 1-19-60 1-19-60	License to cover construction permit (BP-11,220, as mod.) which authorized change in frequency, increase power, install directional antenna, change in antenna and ground system and install new transmitter.	GRANTED	6-21-60
BR-2765 Rec'd & Filed	12-31-60 1-6-61	Renewal of License Philip M. Baker, atty.	GRANTED	5-3-61



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Letters WJAZName JAMES S. RIVERS, INC.  
ALBANY, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BE-15,114 Rec'd Filed	9-25-61 9-27-61 9-27-61	CP to change hours of operation from Daytime to Unlimited using power of 1kw-5kwLS; install new trans.(Collins 21-E) make change in DA system(add 1 tower); change from DA-D to DA-2  Atty. Philip M. Baker Eng.- John H. Mullaney & Assoc.	Denied Order-Docket No. 15080	11-18-64
BR-2765 Rec'd Filed	12-31-63 1-7-64 1-7-64	Renewal of License  Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED	3-17-64
BR-2765 R & F	12-5-66 12-28-66	Renewal of license.  Atty: Philip M. Baker	GRANTED	3-29-67
EP-18714 Rec'd. Resub. Filed #5318	7-25-69 7-29-69 9-29-69 9-29-69 7-2-70	CP to increase height of #1 tower. Philip Baker, Atty. John Evans, Engr.  F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. Over f a n .	<del>no pattern submitted.</del>  GRANTED the AM tower.	<del>9-29-69</del>  6-18-70 No ltr. written.



Amended BP-18,714 re: Tower Height



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ROY MORRIS DOWDY (GENERAL PARTNER) ET. AL. (A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP) Letters W.J.A.Z.

dba DOWDY BROTHERS BROADCASTING COMPANY

Name X JAMES S. RIVERS, INC.

Albany, Georgia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2765	12-23-69	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-15-70
R & F	12-30-69	AMENDED 3-17-70 re: commercial matter		
565735 \$75.	12-30-69	12-30-69		
P. N.	12-30-69			
BR-2765	12-23-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	4-23-73
R & F	12-29-72	Philip M. Baker, Atty.		
PN Recd.	"	AMENDED 4-2-73 re: ascertainment of comm. needs;		
PRESS FEB 6 1973		commercial policy; employment practices		
BAL -8317	11-19-74	Voluntary assignment of license to	GRANTED	2-6-75
R & F	11-27-74	ROY MORRIS DOWDY (General Partner), et al		
FEE PD: \$1000 # 368956		(A Limited Partnership) dba DOWDY BROTHERS		
CODE 047 DEC 30 1974		BROADCASTING COMPANY		
PN FILED:	1-29-75	(SEE OVER)		
		Atty - Philip M. Baker		
		Statement filed 1-6-74 to reflect sale of AM STATION ONLY		
		& aux. stations to be assoc. with FM WJIZ (not being sold)		



RE: BAL-8317- AMENDED 1-29-75(assignee) financial & prog.  
data; statement re relationship of B/C int; SectionIV-A  
(assignor)



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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(Roy Morris Dowdy, General Partner)

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DOWDY BROTHERS BROADCASTING COMPANY (A Limited Partnership)  
Name X JAMES S. RIVERS, INC.  
Albany, Georgia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-13,810 R & F \$50#351802 PTA PRESS JAN 14 1975	9-26-74 10-3-74 10-4-74 10-11-74	Lic. to use former Main transmitter for Alternate transmitter, RCA, BTA-5H  Atty. Philip M. Baker	GRANTED	3-26-75
BR-2765 R & F PN PRESS JAN 27 1976	10-27-75 12-1-75 12-1-75	Renewal of license Atty- Philip M. Baker 4-1-79	GRANTED	11-4-77
BZ-9559 R & F \$100#628857 AMEND DM PRESS DEC 8 1977	10-6-76 10-12-76 10-27-77 10-17-77 10-27-77	Direct Measurement  engr. data	GRANTED	12-29-77



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Form BC-121

May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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CHARLES E. FINNEY

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Name ~~x~~ DOWDY BROTHERS BROADCASTING COMPANY (A Limited Partnership)  
 (Roy Morris Dowdy, General Partner)  
 ALBANY, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR 78 11 27 PRESS	UL FEB 7 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER. TRANS.) Philip M. Baker, Atty.	GRANTED Cond'l re: EEO	10-30-79
BAL 79 1221 HK FORM 311 PRESS: JAN 9 1980 PN FILED	1-23-80	Vol AL to CHARLES E. FINNEY  Atty - Philip M. Baker  (over)	GRANTED EFF:	2-29-80



BAL791221HK Amended 2-13-80 financial state. of Charles  
Finney & demographic data & ascertainment data



## 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.

