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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W N U Z (5-4-59)

Date first licensed 12-26-45

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Station Location: Talladega, Ala.

RADIO ALABAMA, INCORPORATED (AL-4-22-59) EFF: 6-1-59

Name of licensee VOICE OF TALLADEGA, INC.

Fort Lashley Ave., Talladega, Alabama (Ltr. 4-14-69 rescription CP site)

x On US Hwy. 241, 0.6 mi. S. of city limits of Talladega, Ala. (CP 4-6-66)
 x Fort Lashley, Ave., Talladega, Alabama (redescription re renewal amend. rec. 2-7-55)

Transmitter location: Bemiston Highway, approx. 1.1 mile from center of business district,
 Talladega, Alabama (CP & MP 7-19-45) (Lic. 12-26-45)

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 x On US Hwy. 241, 0.6 mi. S. of city limits of Talladega, Ala. (CP 4-6-66)
 x Fort Lashley Ave., Talladega, Alabama (redescription re renewal amend. rec. 2-7-55)
 x Bemiston Highway, approx. 1.1 miles from center of business dist.,
 Talladega, Alabama (ML 9-15-49)

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 Main studio location x 122 Court Square, Talladega, Alabama (CP & MP 7-19-45) (Lic. 12-26-45)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
Letter B3-P-3726	4-24-45	1230	250w	U	Subj. compliance procedural requirements of policy of 1-26-44 and waived provisions of Sections 3.55 and 3.60 For a new station at Talladega, Ala.
B3-P-3726 B3-MP-1810	7-19-45	1230	250w	U	9-19 3-19-46 (Cond'l Clause) C.P. for a new station at Talladega, Ala., and MP for changes in antenna
B3-L-1900 B3-Z-1712	12-26-45	1230	250w	U	12-26 2-1-46 Lic. to cover C.P. (3726 as mod.) for a new station and authority to determine operating power by direct method. CONDITIONAL CLAUSE
B3-S-1225	1-23-46	Extension of license			2-1 4-1-46
B3-S-1225	3-20-46	Extension of license			4-1 6-1-46
B3-S-1225	5-24-46	Extension of license			6-1 8-1-46
B3-S-1225	7-25-46	Extension of license			8-1 10-1-46
B3-S-1225	9-30-46	Extension of license			10-1 12-1-46
B3-R-1225	11-21-46	1230	250w	U	11-21 2-1-49 (Cond'l Clause)
BS-1225	1-25-47	1230	250w	U	1-25 2-1-49 Mod. Lic. to delete conditional clause
BP-6381	10-21-47	1230	250w	U	12-21 6-21-48 CP to install new Transmitter.
BZ-2763	1-16-48	1230	250w	U	1-16 2-1-49 Determine operating power by direct method.
BL-2927	2-4-48	1230	250w	U	2-4 2-1-49 Lic. to cover CP (6381) for installation of new transmitter.
BTC-580 Eff: 4-13-48	3-11-48	Voluntary Transfer of Control of licen- see corp. from D. Hardy Riddle & Harry Held to Melvin Hutson			
BS-1225	1-26-49	Extension of license			2-1 6-1-49
BR-1225	5-25-49	1230	250w	U	5-25 2-1-52
BTC-745 EFF: 2-3-49	7-6-49	Vol. transfer of control of licensee corp. from Melvin Hutson to R. A. Davidson.			

continued oper. with. ~~no further determination to be made~~

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Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BML-1370	9-15-49 Mod. Lic. to change studio site.	1230	250w	U	9-15 2-1-52 (COND. CLAUSE)
BR-1225	1-23-52	1230	250w	U	2-1 4-1-52
BR-1225	3-26-52	1230	250w	U	4-1 4-1-55
BZ-3508 (1)	8-21-53	Authority to determine operating power.			8-21 4-1-55
BTC-1600 EFF:	11-12-53 12-24-53	Voluntary transfer of control from R. A. DAVIDSON to TALLADEGA NEWS PUB- LISHING COMPANY, INC.			
Teleg.	3-30-55	Action on renewal deferred 3-30 and continued oper. auth. until final determination on renewal			
BR-1225	4-13-55	1230kc	250w	U	4-13 4-1-58
BTC-2429 EFF:	3-13-57 3-18-57	Vol. transfer of control from Talladega News Publishing Co., Inc., to The Talladega Publishing Company, Inc.			
Telegram	3-28-58	Action on renewal deferred 3-27-58 Continued operation authorized pending final determination on application			
BR-1225	4-23-58	Renewal of license			4-23 4-1-61
BAL-3406 EFF:	4-22-59 6-1-59	Voluntary assignment of license to Radio Alabama, Incorporated			
BZ-4199	11-19-59	1230kc	250w	U	11-19 4-1-61
	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.				
BR-1225	3-22-61	Renewal of license			4-1 4-1-64
BR-1225 BP-16883	3-17-64 4-8-66	Renewal of license 1230kc 250w, 1kw-LS			4-1 4-1-67 6-6 12-6-66
	CP to increase power to 1kw, change ant-trans. and studio loc., install new transmitter (Collins 20V) (Cond'l).				
BRC-2991 (1)	11-4-66	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883) to operate trans- mitter by remote control from on US. Hwy. 241, 0.6 mi. S. of city limits of Talladega, Alabama (transmitter site).			
BMP-11,943 (2)	12-15-66	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as mod) for ext. of completion date to 3-1-67			

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BMP-12,002 (3)	3-20-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as of completion date to	16,883 as mod)		for ext. 6-1-67
BMP-12,070 (4)	6-28-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as of completion date to	16,883 as mod)		for ext. 9-1-67
BR-1225 BMP-12,149 (5)	3-29-67 9-6-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as of completion date to			4-1-67 4-1-70 for ext. 1-1-68
BMP-12257 (6)	2-14-68	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883) for ext. of completion date to			4-1-68.
BMP-12362 BMP-12364 (7)	4-24-68	MP(BP-16,883) to chg. type trans. & ext. of time to			10-1-68
BMP-12534 (8)	10-31-68	MP(BP-16,883) ext. time			12-1-68
BMP-12609 (9)	1-31-69	MP(BP-16,883) ext. time			3-31-69
BP-18555	5-5-69	1230kc 250w CP to install an aux. trans., at main trans. loc., to be oper. on 1230kc, 250w, for aux. purposes only.		Aux.	1-5-70
BL-12347(1)	5-20-69	Lic. (BP-16883) for changes			4-1-70
BP-18,726	3-26-70	CP to replace expired permit			(BP-18,555) 11-26-70
EBSA BL-12819(1) Cond re renewal	5-22-72 5-22-75	Lic. over CP (BP-18726) 1230khz 250w Aux.			for Aux. Trans.
BR-1225(L)	1-28-76	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			4-1-76
BR-1225(S)	3-12-76	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			4-1-79
BR781204VA	10-24-79	m (S) RENEWAL			4-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B3-P-3726	7-31-44	Construction Permit for a new station to be	Returned	8-10-44
Rec'd	8-7-44	operated on:	Per. 18, 19, 20.	
Resub. & Amended	9-26-44	Frequency: 1230 kc	Granted	4-24-45 subj.
Rec'd	9-30-44	Power: 250w	compliance procedural	
Filed	10-14-44	Hours of Operation: Unlimited time	requirements of policy	
		Trans. Location: To be determined, Talladega, Ala.	of 1-26-44 and waived	
		Bemiston Highway, approx. 1.1 mi. from center of business district;	provisions of Sections	
		Studio Location: 122 Court Square, Talladega, Ala.	3.55 and 3.60	
		AMENDED: To specify transmitter location as	Letter Written	
		Bemiston Highway, approx. 1.1 mi. from center	Grant accepted per	
		of business district, Talladega, Ala.	letter of 4-30-45	
		(Petition for consideration & grant under	Issued with B3-MP-1810	
		Comm. Policy of 1-16-45 - Filed 3-12-45)		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-MP-1810 Rec'd Filed	6-25-45 6-28-45 6-28-45	Mod. of C.P. (B3-P-3726, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for changes in antenna.	Granted waived Sec. 3.55(b) & 3.60	7-19-45 and
B3-L-1900 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	8-13-45 8-17-45 8-13-45 8-21-45 8-21-45	License to cover C.P. (B3-P-3726, as mod.) which authorized a new standard broadcast station; and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (335s filed)	Returned Per. 5-10-45 GRANTED	8-18-45 Per. 5-10-45 12-26-45
B3-Z-1712 Rec'd Filed	8-17-45 8-20-45 8-20-45		Conditional Clause re waiver provisions. 3.55(b) and 3.60	
B3-R-1225 Rec'd Resub.	1-24-46 1-28-46 2-26-46	Renewal of license (Per. 5a, g & 17b)	Ret'd Granted	2-5-46 11-21-46

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6381 Rec'd Filed	9-12-47 9-26-47 9-26-47	Construction Permit to install new transmitter (Collins 300-0).	GRANTED	10-21-47
BTC-580 Rec'd Filed	9-12-47 9-26-47 10-29-47	Voluntary Transfer of Control of licensee corporation from D. Hardy Riddle and Harry Held to Melvin Hutson. (61 shares of common stock-60%)	GRANTED Eff:	3-11-48 4-13-48
BZ-2763 Rec'd Filed	12-22-47 12-26-47 12-26-47	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED	1-16-48

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-2927 Rec'd Filed	12-22-47	License to cover C.P. (BP-6381) which authorized installation of new transmitter.	GRANTED	2-4-48
	12-24-47			
	12-24-47			
BR-1225 Rec'd Resub.	12-1-48	Renewal of license	Returned	12-21-48
	12-3-48		Granted	5-25-49
	1-10-49			
BTC-745 Rec'd Filed	3-23-49	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Melvin Hutson to R. A. Davidson. 81 shares of common stock.	GRANTED EFF:	7-6-49
	3-31-49			8-3-49
	3-31-49			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BNL-1370 Rec'd Filed	8-22-49 8-24-49 8-24-49	Modification of license to change studio location from 122 Court Square, Talladega, Alabama to On Bemiston Highway, 1.1 miles from center of business section, Talladega, Alabama.	GRANTED	9-15-49
			re waiver 3.30(a) to permit identification of location as Talladega, Alabama	
BR-1225 Rec'd Filed	11-1-51 11-5-51 11-5-51	Renewal of license	GRANTED	1-23-52
BR-1225 Rec'd Filed	3-1-52 3-4-52 3-4-52	Renewal of license (Informal Request)	GRANTED	3-26-52
BZ-3508 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	6-10-53 6-15-53 7-21-53 7-23-53 7-23-53	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	RETURNED No. to file Section I GRANTED	JUN 25 1953 8-21-53

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-1600	8-18-53	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation by From R. A. Davidson thru sale of 80% of stock to Talladega News Publishing Company, Inc.	RETURNED	AUG 22 1953
Rec'd	8-19-53		To be filed on 3-15.	
Resub.	9-14-53		RETURNED	9-14-53
Rec'd	9-15-53		See. II filed in name of licensee.	
Resub.	10-8-53		GRANTED	11-12-53
Rec'd	10-12-53		EFF:	12-24-53
Filed	10-12-53			
BR-1225	12-29-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	4-13-55
Rec'd	1-3-55			
Filed	1-3-55			
BTC-2429	12-7-56	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Talladega News Publishing Co., Inc. to The Talladega Publishing Company, Inc.	RETURNED	12-18-56; filed on wrong form.
Rec'd	12-10-56		GRANTED	3-13-57
Resub.	2-15-57		EFF:	3-18-57
Rec'd	2-18-57			
Filed	2-18-57			

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RADIO ALABAMA, INCORPORATED

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Talladega, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1225 Rec'd & Filed	1-2-58 1-6-58	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	4-23-58
BAL-3406 Rec'd. Filed	3-26-59 3-30-59 3-30-59	Voluntary assignment of license to Radio Alabama, Incorporated.	GRANTED EFF:	4-22-59 6-1-59
BZ- 4199 Received Resubmitted Rec'd Filed	7-13-59 9-20-59 9-24-59 9-24-59	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED RETURNED Section I not filed.	11-19-59 7-17-59.
BR-1225 Rec'd & Filed	1-2-61 1-5-61	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-22-61
BR-1225 R. & F.	12-30-63 12-31-63	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-17-64

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Name Radio Alabama, Incorporated
Talladega, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-16,883 R. & F.	8-14-65 8-17-65	CP to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw, change ant-trans, ^{studio} to On US Hwy 241, 0.6 mi. S of city limits, Talladega, Alabama, install new transmitter (Collins 20V). Atty: Daly & Joyce Engr: Claude M. Gray	GRANTED Cond'l re: 250 watt Class IV stations. Section 73.54	4-6-66
ERC-2991 Rec'd Filed	10-25-66 10-31-66 10-31-66	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883) to operate transmitter by remote control from on US. Hwy. 241, 0.6 mi. S. of city limits of Talladega, Alabama (transmitter site). Atty.: Harry J. Daly	GRANTED	11-4-66
BMP-11,943 R & F	12-1-66 12-5-66	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 which auth incr. day-time power from 250w to 1kw chg ant-trans & studio to On US Hwy 241, 0.6 mi. S. of City limits Talladega, Ala. ^{with remote control:} Install new trans. (COLLINS 20V) for extension of comple. date from 12-6-66 to 3-1-67 Atty. Daly & Joyce Engr. Claude M. Gray	GRANTED to	12-15-66 3-1-67

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TALLADEGA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1225 R. & F.	12-30-66 1-3-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-29-67
BMP-12,002 R. & F	2-25-67 2-27-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as mod. which auth. inc. daytime power; chg. ant-trans. & studio loc.; operate trans. by remote control; install new trans.) for extension of completion date from 3-1-67 to 6-1-67.	GRANTED	3-20-67
BMP-12,070 R & F APR 9 1968	5-23-67 5-25-67	Atty-Daly and Joyce Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as mod which auth incr. daytime power, change ant-trans and studio loc., with RC from studio loc., install new trans) for extension of completion from 6-1-67 to 9-1-67 Atty. Daly and <u>Joyce</u>	GRANTED to	6-28-67 9-1-67

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TALLADEGA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,149 R & F AUG 31 1967	8-21-67 8-24-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883 as mod which auth incr. daytime power, chg. ant-trans and studio loc. with RC from studio loc. install new trans) for extension of completion fr m 9-1-67 to 1-1-68 Atty. Daly and Joyce	GRANTED to	9-6-67 1-1-68
BMP- * Rec'd	6-28-67 7-3-67	Mod. of CP(BP-16,883) to install new transmitter (Composite). atty-Daly & Joyce	Returned --- Insufficient data SEE BELOW(RESUB)	11-8-67
BMP-12,257 R. & F. AUG 18 1968	12-7-67 12-18-67	Mod. of CP (BP-16,883, as mod., which auth. incr. day power, chg ant-trans & studio loc., (RC) and install new trans.) for ext. of completion date from 1-1-68 to 4-1-68. atty-Daly and Joyce	GRANTED to	2-14-68 4-1-68
BMP-12,364 R. & F. #365188 \$30	12-7-67 12-18-67 7-3-67	MP (BP-16,883, as mod) to change type trans. to Composite. atty-Daly and Joyce	GRANTED (Issued with BMP-12362)	4-24-68

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Talladega, Ala.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,362 R. & F. #418044 \$30 APR 9 1968	3-29-68 4-1-68 4-1-68	MP (BP-16,883, as mod.) for ext. of completion date from 4-1-68 to 11-1-68. atty-Daly and Joyce (George R. Borsari, Jr.)	GRANTED to (Issued with BMP-12364)	4-24-68 10-1-68
BMP-12,534 R. & F. #460289 \$30 OCT 30 1968	9-20-68 9-23-68 9-23-68	MP (BP-16,883, as mod) for extension of completion date to 12-1-68 (changes). atty-Daly and <u>Joyce</u>	GRANTED to	10-31-68 12-1-68
BMP-12,609 R. & F. #474868 \$30 JAN 7 1969	11-26-68 11-27-68 11-27-68	MP (BP-16,883, as mod) for extension of completion date to 1-30-69 (changes). atty-Daly and <u>Joyce</u>	GRANTED to	1-31-69 3-31-69
BMP- Rec'd #485952 \$30 Refund \$30	1-21-69 1-24-69 1-24-69 2-7-69	MP (BP-16,883, as mod) for extension of completion date to 3-31-69 (changes).	Returned Unnecessary	2-7-69

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Talladega, Ala.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL- Rec'd #502336 \$30	3/14/69 3/27/69 3/27/69	License to use auxiliary trans. at new site. Atty: Leonard S. Joyce	EP-18,555 - 4/7/69 - filed prematurely - 301 - to be filed -	
EP-18,555 R. & F. #502336 \$30 MAY 2 1969	2-25-69 4-10-69 3-27-69	(Collins 300-G) CP to install an auxiliary transmitter at new main trans loc, to be oper on 1230kc, 250w, for auxiliary purposes only. atty-Daly & <u>Joyce</u>	GRANTED	5-5-69
BL-12,347 R & F #495548 \$30 PT AMENDED: R&F MAY 1 1969	2/26/69 3/4/69 3/4/69 3/12/69 4/14/69	License (EP-16,883 as mod.) for changes, incr. power, specify type trans. COMPOSITE. Atty: Leonard S. Joyce Engr: Claude M. Gray, Birmingham, Ala. Re trans. & studio loc. <i>4 R.C.</i>	GRANTED	5-20-69

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TALLADEGA, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR- R #566852 \$30 P. N. (holding fee for 321)	12-22-69 1-2-70 1-2-70 1-2-70	Renewal of License (Auxiliary)	Returned: 2-11-70 Re: Not Licensed GRANTED	 1-28-76
BR-1225 R & F #566853 \$75 P. N. FEB 2 1970	12-27-69 1-2-70 1-2-70 1-2-70	Renewal of License (Main) AMENDED 4-15-70 re: Programming; commercial matter AMENDED 6-30-71 re: programming; commercial survey (over) <i>Suppl. Appln.</i>	GRANTED	1-28-76
EP-18,726 R & F \$30-566852 PRESS MAR 8 1970	2-25-70 3-9-70 1-2-70 8 1970	CP to replace expired permit (EP-18,555) to install new auxiliary transmitter Collins 300G	GRANTED	3-26-70
BL-12,819 R & F #644269 \$50. AC-067 PTA PRESS DEC 18 1970	11-12-70 11-19-70 11-19-70 12-3-70	Lic. (BP-18,726) for Auxiliary Transmitter. Atty: Edw. W. Hummers, Jr. (Fletcher, Heald, Rowell, etc.)	GRANTED Cordl. re renewal	5-22-75

BR-1225 SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 1-2-73 as
Amendment to pending renewal application. (pub. Notice
1-2-73)

AMENDED 3-22-73 re: programming; ascertainment of
community needs

AMENDED 12-10-73 re: notification of death of officer-
stockholder

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 12-1-75 as an amendment
to pending renewal application. (Main & Aux.) PN 12-1-75

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Talladega, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1225 R & F PN PRESS	11-21-75 12-1-75 12-1-75	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) Atty- Edward F. Kenehan (Fletcher, Heald et al)	GRANTED	3-12-76
BR781204VA PRESS: FEB 7 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main & Alt. Trans.)	GRANTED	10-24-79

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 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.

