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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 5-28-53Call letters W P I D

ALEX ALLEN CARWILE tr/as RADIO STATION WPID

(AL gr 4/21/77 EFF: 5/9/77)

Station Location: Piedmont, Alabama

x TERRANCE J. GLADDEN tr/as WPID RADIO STATION (AL-6-22-65; EFF: 6-25-65)

x CARY L. GRAHAM (AL 3-10-54 EFF: 3-18-54)

XRUBY JO CLOTFELTER, CARY L. GRAHAM and MAC M. THOMAS d/b as

Name of licensee PIEDMONT RADIO STATIONTransmitter location On the Cedartown Hwy, State Route 74, 1 mi. east of Piedmont, Ala. (MP
(L 5-28-53) 12-24-52Main studio location On the Cedartown Hwy, State Route 74, 1 mi. E of Piedmont, Ala. (MP 12-24-52
(L 5-28-53)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BP-8081 Ltr.	7-16-52 7-24-52	1280	1kw	Daytime	CP for new station granted subject filing MP for approval of T site and antenna
BP-8081 BMP-6058	12-24-52	1280	1kw	Day	2-24-53 8-24-53 CP for new station and MP for approval antenna, transmitter & Studio locations and change type of transmitter. (Cond'l Clause)
EP-8823	5-5-53	CP install new trans. (COND'L CLAUSE)			7-5-53 1-5-54
BL-4903 Lic. cover broadcast station	5-28-53	1280	1kw	Day	5-28 4-1-55 CP'S (BP-8081, as mod and EP-8823) for a new broadcast station & install new trans, (COND'L CLAUSE)
BAL-1718 EFF:	3-10-54 3-18-54	Vol. assignment of license to CARY L. GRAHAM			
BR-2808	3-30-55	1280	1kw	Day	4-1 4-1-58
BR-2808 WIRE	3-5-58 4-6-60 3-29-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Sign-off 6:30PM period 6-1 thru 7-31-60. Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			4-1 4-1-61
BR-2808	2-5-62	Renewal of License			2-5- 4-1-64
	3-25-64	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BR-2808	5-8-64	Renewal of License			5-8 4-1-67
BAL-5457 EFF:	6-22-65 6-25-65	Voluntary assignment of license to TERRANCE J. GLADDEN tr/as WPID RADIO STATION			
BR-2808	3-31-67	1280kc	1kw		4-1 4-1-70
BR-2808(S) EBSA	4-20-70 6-12-72	RENEWAL			4-1-73
BR-2808(S)	5-21-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
WIRE	1-17-74	PSA	500w		
BR-2808(L)	3-12-76	RENEWAL			4-1-79
BAL-8923	4/21/77	Vol AL EFF: 5/9/77			

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

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First licensed SEE CARD # 1

Call Letters .. WPID

Station Location

Name SEE CARD # #

Transmitter Location

Main studio location

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BR781204US (L)	3-27-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	4-1-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call **W P I D**Letters **X** **New**

Name **RUBY JO. CLOTEELTER, CARY L. GRAHAM AND MAC M. THOMAS** d/h as **PIEDMONT RADIO STATION**
 (P.O. c/o Cary L. Graham, 1145 Walnut St., Gadsden, Alabama)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
HP-8081	4-20-51	Construction permit for a new standard broad-		
Rec'd	4-23-51	cast station to be operated on:		
Filed	4-23-51	Frequency: 1280kc	GRANTED	7-16-52
		Power: 1kw	subj. filing MP for	
		Hours of Operation: Daytime	approval of T site and	
		Trans. Location: To be determined	antenna	
		Piedmont, Alabama	Letter 7-24-52	
		Studio Location: To be determined	Issued with MP-6058	
		Piedmont, Alabama		
		Julius C. Vessels, Engr.		
		Gadsden, Alabama		

Gates BC-12

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Name RUBY JO CLOTFELTER, GARY L. GRAHAM AND MAO M. THOMAS d/b as PIEDMONT RADIO STATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-5967	8-16-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-8081 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change frequency from 1280kc to 1490kc; decrease power from 1kw to 250w; change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited, and change type of transmitter (Gates 250-C). Amended to specify Transmitter and Studio locations as State Route #74, Cedartown Highway, Piedmont, Alabama.	DISMISSED per request of applicant	11-19-52
Rec'd	8-20-52			
Filed	8-20-52			
Amended	9-4-52	type of AMENDED to change/transmitter (Composite).		
Rec'd	9-9-52			
Filed	9-9-52			
AMENDED	9-29-52			
Received	10-1-52			
Filed	10-1-52			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6058 Rec'd Filed	11-8-52 11-12-52 11-12-52	Modification of construction permit (BP-8081 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio location as State Route #74, On the Cedartown Hwy. 1 mi. E. of Piedmont, Alabama. Julius C. Vessels, Engr.	GRANTED Blanketing Clause	12-24-52
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	11-27-52 11-28-52 11-28-52	AMENDED to change type of transmitter (Composite).		
BL-4903 Rec'd Filed	1-16-53 1-19-53 1-19-53	License to cover construction permit (BP-8081, as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station, and lic. cover CP (BP-8823) which authorized installation new transmitter.	GRANTED re blanketing.	5-28-53
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	4-25-53 4-27-53 4-27-53	AMENDED to change type transmitter (BATES BC-1E). (Amendment contingent on grant of BP-8823)		

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Letters W P I DName RUBY JO CLOTFELTER, GARY L. GRAHAM AND MAC M. THOMAS d/b as PIEDMONT RADIO STATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-8823 Rec'd Filed	3-30-53 3-31-53 3-31-53	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (Gates BC-1E).	GRANTED blanketing clause	5-5-53
BAL-1718 Rec'd Filed	1-1-54 1-29-54 1-29-54	Voluntary assignment of license to Cary L. Graham.	GRANTED EFF:	3-10-54 3-18-54
BR-2808 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd. Filed	12-30-54 1-3-55 12-30-54 2-3-55 2-3-55	Renewal of License (name wrong)	RETURNED GRANTED	1-25-55 3-30-55
BR-2808 Rec'd & Filed	1-1-58 1-6-58	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	3-5-58

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#5 TERRANCE J. GLADDEN tr/as WPID RADIO STATION

x Cary L. Graham

Name x Ruby Jo Clothfelter, Cary L. Graham and Mac M. Thomas d/b as Piedmont Radio Station
PIEDMONT, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2808 Rec'd & Filed	12-29-60 1-3-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	2-5-62
BR-2808 Rec'd Filed	1-4-64 1-6-64 1-6-64	Renewal of license	GRANTEE	5-8-64
BR-5457 Rec'd Filed	5-5-65 5-7-65 5-13-65	Voluntary assignment of license to TERRANCE J. GLADDEN tr/as WPID RADIO STATION	GRANTED EFF:	6-22-65 6-25-65
BR-2808 Rec'd Filed	1-16-67 1-30-67 2-6-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-31-67
BR-6354 Rec'd APR 26 1968 RESUB R&F Pub. Notice MAY 15 1968	4-3-68 4-8-68 5-3-68 filed 4-8-68	Voluntary assignment of license to PIEDMONT BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.	RECEIVED No fee or Art. of Inc DISMISSED Req. of licensee	4-25-68 7-8-68

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ALEX ALLEN CARWILE tr/as RADIO STATION WPID
Name ~~xx~~ TERRANCE J. GLADDEN tr/as WPID RADIO STATION
Piedmont, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2808 R & F #566867 \$75. P.N.	12-31-69 1-2-70 1-2-70 1-2-70	Renewal of License MAR 9 1973	GRANTED	4-20-70
BR-2808 R & F Pn Recd. PRESS FEB 20 1973	12-29-72 1-2-73 " "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 4-9-73 re: ascertainment of community needs AMENDED 5-11-73 re: community survey	GRANTED	5-21-73
BR-2808 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JAN 8 1976	11-22-75 12-1-75 " "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 1-20-76 re: Balance Sheet AMENDED 2-17-76 re: community matter	GRANTED	3-12-76
BAL -8923 R & F Pub. notice filed (Form 314)	1-25-77 1-31-77 2-10-77 MAR 7 1977	Voluntary assignment of license to ALEX ALLEN CARWILE tr/as RADIO STATION WPID (SEE OVER)	GRANTED EFF:	4/21/77 5/9/77

RE: BAL-8923 - NOTED: Ref. to ren filed 12-1-75 for balance sheet; Par.17,Sec.II incorrect - See Table II; Date of exp. of agreement??

AMENDED 3-25-77 - ref to ren for past prog., ext of time re purc. agreement; & re comm survey

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ALEX ALLEN CARWILE tr/as RADIO STATION WPID

Name
PIEDMONT, ALABAMA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR781204US PRESS: JAN 29 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-27-79

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.

