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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

OFFICIAL NUMBER 3968

Date first licensed 7-13-61

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WTSN, INC. (AL 10-2-74 EFF: 10-7-74)

xWEMJ Broadcasting, Inc. (AL 2-16-72 EFF: 3-1-72) Station location Laconia, New Hampshire

xBELKNAP BROADCASTING CORPORATION (BAL-11-12-63; EFF: 11-10-63)

xNEW HAMPSHIRE BROADCASTING CORPORATION, (AP 6-24-60; EFF: 6-27-60)

Name of licensee x THE LAWRENCE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Hear of Messer St., nr. Irving St., Laconia, New Hampshire (BP 7-29-60)

Transmitter location x 900' NE of Intersection Union Ave. & Messer Street (BP-1-13-60)

Trinity Drive, Old Town Industrial Park, Laconia, N.H. (BP-1-13-60)

x Laconia Nat'l Bank Bldg., Bank Square, 581 Main St., Laconia, N.H. (BP 7-29-60)

Main studio location x To be determined, Laconia, New Hampshire (BP-1-13-60)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BP-12268	1-13-60	1490kc	250w	U	3-13 9-13-60
CP for new standard broadcast station.					
BAP-494	6-24-60	Voluntary assignment of construction			
EFF:	6-27-60	permit to New Hampshire Broadcasting			
Corporation.					
BMP-9001	7-29-60	1490kc	250w	U (RC)	7-29 9-29-61
Mod. of CP(BP-12268) to change trans. location specify studio & 15 point; change ground wires.					
BTC-3639	12-30-60	Involuntary transfer of control of per-			
EFF:	12-31-60	mittee corporation from George H. Jaspert			
to Eileen M. Jaspert, Executrix of the estate of George H. Jaspert, Deceased.					
BMP-9332 (1)	3-23-61	Mod. of CP(BP-12268 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 5-29-61.			
BMP-9184	5-17-61	1490kc	250w-1kwLS	U	7-17 1-17-62
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT. to increase daytime power and change type trans. (RCA BTA-1R) Cond'1					
BL-8364	7-18-61	1490kc	250w	U	7-18 4-1-63
License to cover CP BP-12268 which authorized a new standard Broadcast Station.					
BP-9649 (1)	8-7-61	Mod. of CP(BMP-9184) to change type transmitter (Power 707)			
BL-8730	9-19-61	1490	250w 1kw-LS	U	9-19 4-1-63
License to cover construction permit (BMP-9184, as mod.) which auth. increase day power and installation of a new transmitter. (COND'L)					
BTC-3869	11-21-61	Voluntary transfer of control of licen-			
EFF:	11-30-61	see corporation from Eileen M. Jaspert, et al (All Stockholders) to Albert F. Orlandino, Martin J. Cicatelli and Samuel Kassel.			
BL-3958	5-11-62	Renewal of license			
4-1 4-1-63					
BAL-4877	11-12-63	Voluntary assignment of license to			
EFF:	11-18-63	2ELKNAP BROADCASTING CORPORATION			

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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
BR-3968	3-21-66	1490kc	250w, 1kw	U	4-1-66 4-1-69
BL-11,273	5-12-66	1490kc	250w	Aux	5-12-66 4-1-69
Lic to use former main trans. RCA, BTA 250M at main trans loc to be operated on 1490kc 250w for aux purposes only.					
BR-3968(S)	4-7-69	Renewal of License	of License	DDM	4-7-69 4-1-72
ETC-5852	5-14-69	Vol. TC			
ETC-5852	10-31-69	Vol. TC			
BAL-7451	2-16-72	VOL. AL	EFF: 3-1-72		
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-3968(L)	6-15-72	RENEWAL	MAIN & AUX.		4-1-75
BZ-8143(L)	8-31-72	Direct Measurement			
BAL-8153	10-2-74	VOL. AL	EFF: 10-7-74		
BR-3968(L)	3-31-75	RENEWAL	(MAIN & AUX.)		4-1-78
BR-3968(S)	4-13-78	RENEWAL	(MAIN & AUX.)		4-1-81
BZ-791025AB(L)	1-10-80	Direct Measurement			4-1-81

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters NEW W E M JName THE LAWRENCE BROADCASTING COMPANY

(P.O. - Mr. Geo. H. Jaspert (pres); 9 Valley Street, Lawrence, Mass.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,268	8-6-58	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1490kc Power - 250w Hours of operation - Unlimited Trans. location - 900' N.E. of Intersection Union Ave. & Messer St. Laconia, New Hampshire Studio location - To be determined. Laconia, New Hampshire Remote Control Point - Same as studio Atty. - Miller & Schroeder Engr. - Charles F. Halle, Manchester, N.H.	GRANTED	1-13-60
Rec'd	8-14-58			
Filed	8-14-58			

RCA BTA 250 M

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters

W E H J

Name

THE LAWRENCE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-8963 R & F	4-1-60 4-5-60	Modification of C. P. (BP-12268 which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change antenna-transmitter location from 900' N. E. of Inter. Union Ave. & Messer St. Laconia, N. H. to Dixon Point, Laconia, N. H. and specify main studio location & remote control point as Laconia National Bank Bldg. Bank Square, Laconia, New Hampshire. Atty: Miller & Schroeder	DISMISSED per atty's ltr	5-19-60 5-17-60
BMP-9001 R.&F.	5-13-60 5-17-60	Modification of C.P. (BP-12268 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change antenna-transmitter location from 900' N.E. of intersection Union Ave. & Messer St., Laconia, N.H. to rear of Messer St., nr Irving St., Laconia, N.H. & specify studio location and remote control point as Laconia Nat'l Bank Square, Laconia, N.H. Atty's, Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	7-20-60
SEE CAFD #3 FOR AMENDMENT				

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters W E M JName X THE LAWRENCE BROADCASTING COMPANY
Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAP-494	6-10-60	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to New Hampshire Broadcasting Corporation.	GRANTED	6-24-60
Rec'd	6-13-60		EFF:	6-27-60
Filed	6-13-60			

BMP-9001 (cont'd)		Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty.		
AMENDMENT	6-27-60	AMENDED to change permittee name to		
R & F	6-28-60	NEW HAMPSHIRE BROADCASTING CORPORATION as auth by BAP-494 gr 6-24-60.		

BMP-9184	10-28-60	Modification of Construction Permit (CP-12,268	GRANTED	5-17-61
Rec'd	11-2-60	as modified, which authorized a new standard	Cond'l re responsible for	
Filed	11-2-60	broadcast station) to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw and change type trans. (RCA-BTA-1R)	eliminating adverse prob.	
		Atty.- Miller & Schroeder	interf. resulting from	
		Eng.- Charles F. Halle, Portsmouth, N. H.	external cross-mod.	
			Accept interf. of Class	
			IV stat. if auth. incr.	
			power to 1kw. Sub.	
			antenna resistance meas.	
			(ISSUED AS A NEW CP)	

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Name NEW HAMPSHIRE BROADCASTING CORPORATION

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-3639 Rec'd Filed	12-8-60 12-20-60 12-20-60	Involuntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from George H. Jaspert to Eileen M. Jaspert, Executrix of the estate of George H. Jaspert, Deceased. Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	12-30-60 12-31-60
BNP-9332 R & F	2-10-61 2-10-61	Modification of C. P. (BP-12268 as modified, which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 3-29-61 to 5-29-61. Atty's: Miller & <u>Schroeder</u>	GRANTED to	3-23-61 5-29-61
BL-8364 R. & F.	3-22-61 3-27-61	License to cover C. P. (BP-12,268 as mod.) which auth. new standard broadcast station. Atty's: Miller & <u>Schroeder</u>	GRANTED	7-18-61

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Name New Hampshire Broadcasting Corporation
Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-9649 R&F	7-10-61 7-12-61	Mod of CP (BMP-9184 which auth. incr. daytime power and install new trans) to chg type trans (Bauer 707) Atty: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	8-7-61
BL-8730 R. & F.	8-18-61 8-21-61	License to cover C.P. (BMP-9184 as mod.) which auth. increase daytime power and the installation of a new transmitter. Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED Cond'l re accept interference Class IV Stat. if auth. inc. power to 1kw. Licensee responsible for eliminating adverse prob. interf. resulting from external cross-mod.	9-19-61
BTC-3869 Rec'd Filed	10-6-61 10-9-61 10-9-61	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Eileen M. Jaspert, et al (All Stockholders) to Albert F. Orlandino, Martin J. Cicatelli and Samuel Kassel. Stanley B. Cohen, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-21-61 11-30-61

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CARD # 6

Call
Letters W E M J

Belknap Broadcasting Corporation
 Name NEW HAMPSHIRE BROADCASTING CORPORATION
LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3968 R & F	1-14-63 1-18-63	Renewal of License Stanley B. Cohen, Atty.	GRANTED	3-11-63
----- LICENSEE NOW REPRESENTED BY WILNER & BERGSON PER LETTER XXXXX RECEIVED 8-12-63. -----				
BAL-4877 R & F	8-13-63 8-15-63	Voluntary assignment of license to BELKNAP BROADCASTING CORPORATION Atty. - Wilner & Bergson (J. Greeley)	GRANTED -ff:	11-12-63 11-18-63
----- LICENSEE NO LONGER REPRESENTED BY WILNER & BERGSON PER LETTER DATED 5-12-65 & REC'D 5-17-65 ----- LICENSEE NOW REPRESENTED BY DOW, LOHNES AND ALBERTSON PER LETTER DATED & RECEIVED SEPT. 2, 1965 -----				
BR-3968 R & F	12-30-65 12-30-65	Renewal of license Atty- Dow, Lohnes & Albertson (Thomas H. Wall)	GRANTED	3-21-66

FORM BC-121 #7
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1490kc

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Letters W E M J

Name BELKNAP BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,273 R & F	1/17/66 1/20/66	Lic. to use former main trans. RCA BTA-250M at main trans. loc. to be operated on 1490kc 250w for aux. purposes only. Attys: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED	5-12-66
BTC -5852 R & F FEE PD: \$75 - #483380 (Form 316) REFUND \$15 (1-29-69) (Overpayment)	1-10-69 1-14-69	Voluntary transfer of control of lic. corp. from Monadnock Broadcasting Corporation to Albert L. Auclair Mutually contingent on gr of WKBK -TC-5851 Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	GRANTED Eff:	5-14-69 5-26-69 10am
BR-3968 R & F #481149 \$105. PRES FEB 7 1969	12-18-68 1-2-69 1-2-69	Renewal of license---(Main & Auxiliary) AMENDED 3-25-69 re: Programming Atty. Dwight Perry	GRANTED	1-7-69

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

11,90kc

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Letters W E M J

WEMJ BROADCASTING, INC.

Name ☒ BELKNAP BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-7451	10-20-71	Voluntary assignment of license to	GRANTED	2-16-72
R & F	10-26-71	WEMJ BROADCASTING, INC.	Req. grant fee	
FEE PD: \$1000 #0114580		(SEE OVER FOR AMENDMENTS)	\$5,600.00	
CODE 047	Nov 9 1971	Atty - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	EFF:	3-1-72
Pub. notice filed 11-15-71			Grant Fee Paid:	
Second pub. notice filed 1-18-72			048, 4-14-72. W 063331	
BR-3968	12-29-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main)	GRANTED	6-15-72
R & F	1-11-72	Dominic Monahan, Atty. (Dow, Lohnes)		
PN Recd.	12-27-71			
PRESS FEB 2 1972				
BR-3968	2-5-72	Renewal of Auxiliary		
R & F	2-10-72			
BZ-8143	4-14-72	Direct Measurement - Main & Aux.	GRANTED	8-31-72
Rec'd	4-27-72			
Amended	6-6-72	enrg. data		
EM (Main)	6-12-72			
Amended & F	8-4-72	Aux. Appln - Atty: Dow, Lohnes & Albertson		
DM (Aux.)	8-16-72	P.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C. (D. Monahan)		

RE: BAL-7451 - AMENDED 1-10-72 - financial, legal & prog.
AMENDED 2-1-72 - 22b, Sec. II answered; bal. sheet; reasons
in support of assignee's position re grant fee

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Name ☒ WTSN, INC.
☒ WEMJ BROADCASTING, INC.
Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL -8153 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 #302347 CODE 047 Pub notice filed 5-24-74 JUN 10 1974	4-26-74 5-7-74	Voluntary assignment of license to WTSN, INC. REQUEST WAIVER SECTION 1.597 (SEE OVER) Atty for assignor - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson for assignee - Smith & Pepper Balance sheet (assignor) filed 5-24-74	GRANTED GRANT FEE: \$ 7,200.00 EFF: 12-7-74 FEE PD. 10-22-74 042 W 355900	10-2-74
BR-3968 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	10-31-74 11-6-74 " NOV 26 1974	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) James L. Oyster, Atty. (SMITH & Pepper)	GRANTED	3-31-75
BR-3968 R & F P.N. PRESS	11-3-77 12-1-77 12-1-77 DEC 21 1977	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) Atty.: James L. Oyster	GRANTED	4-13-78

RE: BAL-8153 - Assignee is licensee of WTSN, Dover, N.H.
(Articles etc on file)

AMENDED 8-12-74 re: ownership, financing and EEO

AMENDED 8-14-74 re: Financing and programming

AMENDED 8-27-74 re: multiple ownership

APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: W E M J 1490kHz

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Name: WTSN, INC.

Station Location: Laconia, New Hampshire

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BZ-791025AB R & F IM PRESS DEC 31 1979	10-25-79 10-31-79	Direct Measurement	GRANTED 1-10-80
BR 801124 UA PRESS DEC 18 1980		RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUX.)	GRANTED 3-30-81

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.

