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June 1954

FM Broadcast

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W Z Z R-FM(EFF: 6-2-77)

X W Z Z M-FM (EFF: 7-28-67)

Date first licensed 5-4-62

Call letters X W Z Z

Station location Grand Rapids, Michigan

WZZR, INC (11-26-80, EFF:

X JAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (ALH gr 5/16/77 EFF: 6/1/77)

X WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC. (ALH 5-19-67 EFF: 6-1-67)

Name of licensee X KENNETH W. VAN PROYEN

645 - 3rd Mile Road NW, Walker, Michigan (PH 10-8-75)

Transmitter location X 900 Monroe Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan

3655 Alpine Ave., N.W., Comstock Park, Michigan (MLH-4-3-78)

44504 - X 645 3 mile Road, Walker, Michigan (MLH-10-19-70)

Main Studio Location X 900 Monroe Avenue, N. W., Grand Rapids, Michigan



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
BPH-3330 HAAT: 175 ft.	6-27-61	95.7mc Ch. 239	6.3kw TPO: 1kw	Unl	6-27-61 8-27-62
Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station. BPH-6933 (1)	10-4-61	Mod. of CP(BPH-3330) to inc. ERP to 7.8kw, chg type trans. (Comcast)			
BSCA-395	3-29-62	Subsidiary Communications Auth.	67ke		
BLH-2058 HAAT: 175 ft.	5-4-62	95.7mc 7.8 kilo U TPO: 1kw			5-4 10-1-64
		Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3330 as mod) which auth. a new FM B/C Station.			
Wire	4-25-63	Auth. remain silent thru			7-24-63; . .
Station returned to		air 7-8-63. per wire 7-2-63.			
BRH-1306	6-15-65	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			6-15 10-1-67
BRCH-548 (1)	6-23-65	Mod. of Lic to operate trans by RC from Control Room, 900 Monroe Avenue, N.W. Grand Rapids, Michigan			
BLH-953	5-19-67	Voluntary assignment of license to BEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.			
BRH-1306	9-11-67	95.7mc 7.8kw U			10-1 10-1-70
BPH-6070 HAAT: 175'	2-16-68	95.7mc. ERP: 50kw Unl. ch2239 TPO: 6.4kw CP chg. Trans. L TPO, ERP:			10-18-68
BLH-4074 (1)	9-5-68	Lic. to cover CH(BPH-6070) for chg.			
BSCA-888	9-18-68	SCA on 67kes. thru			10-1-70.
BRCH-898 (2)	10-18-68	Operate RC (Second Remote Control Point)			
BPH-360 COND 1 (3)	10-19-70	change studio loc. & operate by RC			
BRH-1306(1)	9-30-70	Renewal			10-1-73
BSCA-888	9-30-70	Renewal of SCA			10-1-73
BRH-7100	3-30-73	INVOL TC			



Form BC 126

June 1984

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WZZM-FM

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

App'l No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BRH-1306 BRSCA-888	(S) 9-27-73	Renewal of license & SCA			10-1-76
BVC-7246	10-12-73	VOL. TC EFF:		12-31-73	
BPH-9409(L)	10-8-73	95.7mbz ERP: 50kw(H&V) U			10-8-76
HAAT: 310ft(H&V)		CP chg TL, TPO, ERP, HAAT, trans, ant			
BLH-6946(L)	3-8-76	Lic.(BPH-9409)-Changes.			10-1-76
BRH-1306(S)	9-15-76	Renewal of license			10-1-79
BRSCA-888	"	Renewal of SCA			"
BALH-2462 BASCA-809	5/16/77	Vol ALH EFF: 6/1/77 & SCA			
EBSA	6-2-77	ISSUED IN CALL		SIGN CHANGE	
BMLH-618 (1)	4-3-78	ML to chg SL/RO			
BRH790601Z (L)	9-21-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-82
BALH800820HM	11-26-80	VOL ALH eff;			
BTCH801210FU	12-30-80	Vol TCH EFF:			



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug 1955

Call  
Letters new WKEWName KENNETH W. VAN PROOYENGrand Rapids, Michigan (P.O. - 917 Everglade Drive SE, Grand Rapids 7, Mich)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-3330	12-8-60	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 95.7mc CH 239 ERP - 6.3kw Type transmitter - ITA FM 1000B Type antenna - COLLINS 37M (8 section) HAAT 177 ft Trans. location - 900 Monroe Avenue, N.W. Grand Rapids, Michigan Studio location - Same as transmitter  Engr. - Chas. E. Towne & Assoc. Milwaukee, Wisconsin	<del>RETURNED</del>	<del>3-14-61</del>
Rec'd	3-10-61		<del>Dated wrong</del>	
Resub.	3-23-61			
R & F	4-3-61		GRANTED	6-28-61
BPH-6933	9-8-61	Modification of CP(BPH-3330 which auth. a new FM Broadcast station) to incr. ERP from 6.3kw to 7.8kw ERP and change transmitter to a Composite, r/p 1kw.		
Rec'd&Filed	9-11-61		GRANTED	10-4-61 ERP 7.8kw



Form BC-121 #2  
Aug. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters **W K L W**

Name **KENNETH W. VAN PROOYEN**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ESCA-395 R & F	2-19-62 2-23-62	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on 67kc	GRANTED	3-29-62 67kc
BLH-205B R & F	2-10-62 2-12-62	License to cover G.P. (BPH-3330 as modified) which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station.	GRANTED	5-4-62
BALH-555 Rec'd Filed AMENDED BASCA-103 Rec'd Filed	7-2-62 9-20-62 9-20-62 10-12-62 10-19-62 10-19-62	Voluntary assignment of license to Kentwood Broadcasting Company.  AMENDED to include SCA.	DISMISSED Per Section 1.307(b) and 1.312(b).	2-20-63



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Aug. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W Z Z M-FM  
Letters XW K L W

WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.  
Name KENNETH W. VAN PROOYEN  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1306 Rec'd Filed	8-21-64 8-24-64 8-24-64	Renewal of license--(Main)	GRANTED	6-15-65
BRH-548 Rec'd Filed	9-1-64 9-3-64 9-30-64	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from Control Room, 900 Monroe Avenue, N. W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.	GRANTED	6-23-65
EAH-953 R & F	1-27-67 1-30-67	Voluntary assignment of license to WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.  Atty - Arnold & Porter	GRANTED	5-19-67 6-1-67
BRH-1306 R & F JUL 25 1967	6-19-67 6-30-67	Renewal of license  Atty - David H. Lloyd (Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	9-11-67



AUG. 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WZZM-FMName WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.  
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-6070 R&F DEC 21 1967	11-28-67 11-30-67	CP to install new trans(Collins-830P-1A); chg. TPO to 6.4kw and chg. ERP to 50kw; REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF RULE 73.213.  Atty - Reed Miller (Arnold & Porter) Engr: George A. Powstenko (Kear & Kennedy)	GRANTED  Cond'l re grant does not preclude WMIL-FM being gr auth. to oper. 50kw ERP inc. HAAT & chg. site.	2-16-68
BLH-4074 R & F #431482 \$30 PT AUG 29 1968	5/14/68 5/24/68 5/24/68 6/5/68	License (BPH-6070) for changes. Engr: James A. Chase, Coldwater, Mich. Atty: Reed Miller	GRANTED Cond'l re grant doesn't preclude WMIL-FM being gtd. auth. oper. 50kw ERP, incr. hght & site.	9-5-68
BSCA-888 R & F #455272 \$30 SEP 16 1968	8-26-68 9-3-68 9-3-68	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authori- zation on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kcs.	GRANTED	9-18-68



Aug. 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters **WZZM-TV**Name **WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-898 R & F #464557 OCT 18 1968	10-2-68 10-8-68 10-8-68	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 136th Street & Alger Road, Ashland Township, Grant, Michigan (WZZM-TV transmitter site). Second Remote Control Point.  Atty.: Neil M. Smith	GRANTED	10-18-68
BTC-5838 R & F FEE PD: \$1015 #480733 (include TC-5839) (WVA etc) REFUND \$330 - OVERPAYMENT JAN 17 1969 Pub. notice filed 1-23-69	12-30-68 12-30-68	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from William C. Dempsey, et al (All Stockholders) to BASIC COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (mutually contingent on grant of BTC-5839) Attorneys - Arnold & Porter Dow, Lohnes & Albertson	DISMISSED	3-24-69 Req. of atty
PTO-5959 R & F FEE PD: \$60 (form 316 - include WZZM-TV) MAY 20 1969	5-2-69 5-20-69 5-21-69	Vol. transfer of control of lic. corp. from William C. Dempsey, Philip W. Buchan, Martin D. Buth et al (all stockholders) to Synergistic Communications Corporation Atty - Arnold & Porter (Reed Miller) (See Over)	GRANTED	9-17-69 Eff: 10-29-69



BTC-5959

7-2-69. Amended Re: Ownership stockholders

7-7-69. Amended Re: Control of corporation.

~~AMENDED 8-13-69 reasons for transfer & re sale of stock~~

~~AMENDED 8-29-69 reasons for transfer & re sale of stock~~

AMENDED 8-13-69 reasons for transfer & re sale of stock



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters **WZZM-FM**

Name **WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.**  
**GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1306 R & F #612791 \$75. P.N.	6-26-70 7-1-70 (\$435. submitted) 7-1-70	Renewal of License Atty: Anne W. Branscomb	GRANTED	9-30-70
BRSCA-888 R & F #613876 \$30.	7-3-70 7-6-70 7-6-70	Renewal of SCA		
BMLH-260 Rec'd Filed #626416 \$50. CODE 068 PRESS: OCT 8 1970	8-17-70 10-2-70 8-24-70 8-24-70	Mod. of license to change Studio & Remote Control location to: 645 3 mile Road, Walker, Michigan. (PROPOSED New FM-TV Studio). REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210 of the COMMISSION'S RULES.	GRANTED COND'L provision of section 73.210 of the Commission's rules.	10-19-70



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WZZM-FM

Name WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ETC-6769 R & F FEE PD: \$1000 #028796 CODE 047 (ALSO SEE TV)  JAN 20 1972 Pub. notice filed 1-26-72	12-28-71 12-30-71	Voluntary transfer of control of Synercom Communications Corporation (formerly Synergistic Communications Corporation) (parent corp) from William C. Dempsey et al (original stockholders of licensee) to Henry M. Hogan, Jr., Elinor Bunin et al  Atty - Arnold & Porter	DISMISSED Req. of atty	3-23-73
ETC-7100 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #161094 CODE 054 (Form 316) ALSO SEE TV MAR 26 1973	3-5-73 3-9-73	Involuntary transfer of control of Synercom Communications Corporation (parent corp of lic) from William C. Dempsey, et al (original stockholders of licensee) to Nancy S. Dempsey, Executrix of the Estate of William C. Dempsey, (Deceased); et al. Atty - Arnold & Porter	GRANTED	3-30-73



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

95.7mhz,

Call  
Letters

WZZM-FM

Name **WEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ERH-1306 ERSCA-8886 R & F PM PRESS	6-29-73 6-15-73 7-3-73 7-3-73  7 AUG 1973	Renewal of License Renewal of SCA  Atty: Gary G. Gerlach(Arnold & Porter)	GRANTED	9-27-73
BTC-7246 R & F FEE PD: \$250 #231489 CODE 049(Form 316) ALSO SEE WZZM-TV	9-5-73 9-11-73	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Synercom Communications Corporation to Nancy S. Dempsey, Executrix of the Estate of William C. Dempsey, Deceased; et al  Atty - Arnold & Porter AMENDED 10-10-73 - reflect chge in stockholdings	GRANTED EFF:	10-12-73 12-31-73



Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WZZM-FM

Name West Michigan Telecasters, Inc.  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9409 R & F #413312 \$400 Code 013 PRESS P. N. Rec'd REFUNDED \$200	4-4-75 4-11-75 4-15-75  JUN 3- 1975 5-5-75	CP to chg. TL to: 645 - 3 mile Rd. NW, Walker, Michigan; install new trans. (Collins 831-G1); install new ant. (Phelps-Dodge HP- 6, 6 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (incr. hght.); chg. TPO; HAAT: 311' (H&V) and add circular polarization to ERP. 43° 00' 53" - 85° 41' 09" (MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305) Atty: Reed Miller(Arnold & Porter	GRANTED COND'L	10-8-75
BLH-6946 R & F PTA PRESS	12-30-75 1-5-76 1-13-76 JAN 26 1976	Lic.(BPH-9409)-Changes.  Atty: Arnold & Porter(Reed Miller)	GRANTED	3-8-76



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

95.7mhz.

Call W Z Z R-FM  
Letters XW Z Z H-FM

JAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Name XWEST MICHIGAN TELECASTERS, INC.

Grand Rapids, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1306	5-21-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	9-15-76
BRSCA-888	5-21-76	RENEWAL OF SCA		
R & F	5-28-76			
P.N.	5-28-76	Atty: Frank Washington (Arnold & Porter)		
Press	JUL 1 1976			
BAH-2462	3-2-77	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to JAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.	GRANTED	5/16/77
BASCA-809			EFF:	6/1/77
R & F	3-10-77	(SEE OVER)		
(Form 314)	APR 5 1977	Atty for assignor - Arnold & Porter		
PN filed	4/20/77	for assignee - Baraff, Koerner & Olender		



RE: BAH-2/62 TV pending(BTC-8257 -WZZM-TV)

AMENDED 3/15/77 re: Community Survey

AMENDED 2-25-77 to reflect dismissal of pending court suit

AMENDED 5-13-77 - engr data re overlap WVIC-FM WLIC



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95.7mhz.

Form BC-121  
May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters WZZR-FMName **JAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLH-618 R & F PRESS:	3-7-78 3-10-78 MAR 31 1978	Mod. of License to chg SL/RC to: 3655 Alpine Ave., N.W., Comstock Park, Michigan (outside city limits) REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210(b) OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES.  Atty: ----	GRANTED	4-3-78
BRH79060121  PRESS	JUL 20 1979	Renewal of License  Atty.: James H. Ewalt	GRANTED	9-21-79



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## APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

95.7 MHz

Call Letters: WZZR-FM

WZZR, INC.

Name: KJAM BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Station Location: Grand Rapids, Michigan

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BALH800820HM FORM 314 PRESS PN FILED 9-17-80	SEP 17 1980	Voluntary AL to WZZR, Inc. Atty: Assignor: John D. Pellegrin. Assignee: Robert G. Liggett, Jr.	GRANTED 11-26-80 EFF:
BTCH801210FU Form 315 PRESS DEC 23 1980		Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from MegaMedia, Inc. to WFMK, Inc.  Atty-Martin R. Leader	GRANTED 12-30-80 EFF:
BTCH810414EQ Form 316 PRESS MAY 29 1981		Vol TC of lic corp from WFMK, Inc. to Liggett Broadcast, Inc.  Atty Kathryn R. Schmeltzer	GR-6-17-81 EFF: 6-23-81



BALH800820HM Amended 10-21-80 re: Assignee's Section III  
(Stock Pledge Agreement ) & Financial 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.

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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

