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Form BC 126  
June 1954 4800

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-16-70

W J D M(1-4-71)  
Call letters x W E L A

Station location Elizabeth, N. J.

Name of licensee RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.

1600 -- St. Georges Avenue, Linden, New Jersey (BMP 10-6-69) (BC-12-31-70)  
Transmitter location Near Corner of Dill and Crawford Avenue, Linden, New Jersey (BP 6-19-68)

07201(RC) 9 Caldwell Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey (BRC 4-7-70)  
x East Grand St. and Commerce Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey (BMP 10-6-69)  
Main studio location X To be determined, Elizabeth, New Jersey (BP 6-19-68)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-14,812	6-19-68	1530kc	500w	Day	2-19-69
CP for a new standard broadcast station(Cond'1).					
BP-14812(1)	8-12-68	Call letters assigned.			
MP-12639(2)	1-31-69	MP(BP-14,812) ext. time			8-19-69
MP-12779(3)	9-8-69	MP(BP-14,812) ext. time			2-19-70
MP-1279(4)	10-6-69	MP(BP-14,812) to chg. ant-trans. & studio loc., & operate by remote control from main studio, chg. transmitter, & make changes in ground system.			
MP-12,905(5)	3-5-70	MP(BP-14,812) ext. time			4-30-70
BRC-3426(6)	4-7-70	Mod. to change studio location & oper. by RC			
BL-12,631(1)	6-16-70	Lic. (BP-14,812, as mod) (New Station)			6-1-72
BS-4800(1)	1-4-71	Call letters changed to			WJDM
BZ-7734(2)	1-28-71	Direct Meas.			-----
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-4800(L)	5-31-72	RENEWAL			6-1-75
BZ-8175(L)	11-17-72	Direct Measurement			
BP-19,552	1-18-74	1530khz, 500w	Day		1-18-75
		CP to chg. ant. trans. site, and series excit			
		ant. feed. (CANCELLED 9-27-77)			
BP-13,924(1)	2-19-75	MP (BP-19,552) ext. time			to 7-18-75
BR-4800(S)	9-22-75	RENEWAL			6-1-78
BZ-8979(1)	1-14-76	Direct Measurement			
BR-4800(L)	5-11-78	RENEWAL			6-1-81



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters new **XWELA**Name RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.  
ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY (P.O. c/o Dominick A. Mirabelli, Esq., 1195 East Grand St.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Elizabeth, N. J.	
			Nature	Date
BP-14,812	4-28-61	CP for new standard broadcast station	GRANTED	6-19-68
Rec'd	4-28-61	to be operated on:	Cond'l re: Permittee shall accept any interf. rec'd in the event of subsequent grant of the proposal of VIP B/Casting Corp. (Media Enterprises, Inc.).	
Filed	4-28-61	Frequency - 1530kc		
		Power - 500w		
		Hours of operation - Daytime		
		Trans. location - <del>Corner 7th St. and Franklin Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey</del>		
		Studio location - To be determined Elizabeth, New Jersey	After Hearing Docket No. 14757 Order Issued.	
		Atty. McKenna & Wilkinson		
		Eng.- John H. Mullaney		
AMENDMENT	8-16-61	AMENDED to make changes in officers; make		
R & F	8-18-61	changes in antenna system(decr.hght)		
AMENDMENT	1-26-62	AMENDED re add'l officer		
R & F	1-30-62			
AMENDMENT	4-10-62	AMENDED to change site to "Near Corner of Dill		
R & F	4-10-62	and Crawford Avenue, Linden, N.J."; make changes		
AMENDMENT	5-11-62	in antenna(decr hght) & ground systems.		
R & F	5-11-62	AMENDED to make changes in officers.		



Gates BC-500T

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Card #2

Call  
Letters

W E L A

Name RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.  
ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,639	1-20-69.	Mod. of CP(BP-14,812 <del>XXXXXX</del> ) for extension	GRANTED to	1-31-69
R&F	1-23-69	of completion date from 2-19-69 to 8-19-69.		8-19-69
\$30=485576	1-23-69	(New)		
PRESS: JAN 3	1969	McKenna & Wilkinson (Robert Coll)		
BMP-12,779	7-19-69	MP(BP-14,812 as mod.) for extension of	GRANTED to	9-8-69
R&F	8-1-69	completion date to 2-19-70. NEW		2-19-70
\$30-533306	8-1-69	McKenna and Wilkinson		
PRESS:	1969			
BMP-12,796	8-5-69	MP (BP-14,812, as mod. for new stn.) to change	GRANTED	10-6-69
R&F	8-8-69	antenna-transmitter location to St. Georges		
\$30 #534080	8-8-69	Ave., Linden, N.J., change main studio location		
SEP 25 1969		to E. Grand St. & Commerce Place, Elizabeth, N.J. and operate by remote control from main studio, change transmitter to Gates BC-500G, and make changes in ground system. Robert Coll, Atty. Paul Godley, Engr.		



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Call  
Letters XWELA

Name RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.  
Elizabeth, New Jersey

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,909 R & F \$30-572863 1970	1-19-70 1-23-70 1-23-70	MP(BP-14,812, as mod.) for extension of completion date 3-15-70 (New) Changes Atty: McKenna & Wilkinson	GRANTED to	3-5-70 4-30-70
ERC-3426 Rec'd Filed #590666 \$30	3-31-70 4-3-70 4-6-70 4-6-70	Mod. of license to change studio location to 9 Caldwell Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey and operate transmitter by remote control. Atty: Norman P. Leventhal (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	4-7-70
BL-12,631 Rec'd & Filed #581309 \$30. PTA PRESS JUN 4 1970	2-27-70 2-27-70 2-27-70 3-10-70	Lic.(BP-14,812, as mod.) for new Standard B/c Station. Atty: Robert W. Coll (McKenna & Wilkinson)  Amendments other side	GRANTED	6-16-70

BL- 2-27-70 - Amended: 3-3-70 (verified, 3-19-70) re antenna.

Amended: 5-22-70 re Engr. data. \$30. fee #603990 Refunded.



Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W J D M  
Letters ~~x~~W E L A

RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.

Name Elizabeth, New Jersey

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-7734	12-29-70	Direct Measurement	<del>RETURNED</del>	<del>12-14-70</del>
Rec'd	12-7-70		<del>INCOMPLETE</del>	<del>Dir. to file</del>
Resub.	12-31-70		<del>in trip.</del>	<del>1/2 Sect. I.</del>
Filed	12-31-70			
DM	1-12-71		GRANTED	1-28-71
PRESS JAN 7 1971				
BR-4800	2-28-72	Renewal of License	GRANTED	5-31-72
R & F	2-29-72	Atty: Grover C. Cooper 3-31-72 Informal protest against WJDM filed by Elizabeth A. McKenna, stockholder.		
P.N.	2-29-72			
PRESS MAR 10 1972				
BZ-8175	9-7-72	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	11-17-72
R & F	9-13-72			
DM	9-25-72			
PRESS NOV 14 1972				



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1530khz.

Call  
Letters W J D M

Name **RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.**  
**ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-19,552	11-6-73	Construction permit to change the antenna-transmitter site 1.2 miles West of present location and from south side to north side of St. Georges Avenue and change to series excited antenna feed. Request waiver of Sec. 73.24(b) and 73.188(b)(1). Atty. Grover C. Cooper	GRANTED	1-18-74
Rec'd	11-7-73			
Filed	11-7-73		CANCELLED	9-27-77
\$50-249778	11-7-73			
AC-056				
PRESS: DEC 9 1973				
BMP-13,924	1-15-75	MB(BP-19,552) to ext. time to _____ (Changes) Atty: Gerald T. Glennon (N. J. Atty)	GRANTED	2-19-75
R & F:	1-17-75			
\$50 383743	1-20-75		to	7-18-75
PRESS: FEB 14 1975				
BR-4800	1-30-75	Renewal J.D. Pellegrin, Atty.	GRANTED	9-22-75
R&F	1-31-75			
PN Recd.	1-31-75			
Press	2-10-75			



# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1530khz

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Call  
Letters W J D M

Name RADIO ELIZABETH, INC.  
Elizabeth, New Jersey

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-8979 R & F DM PRESS DEC 10 1975	10-10-75 10-14-75 12-3-75	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	1-14-76
BR-4800 R & F PRESS MAR 13 1978	1-27-78 2-1-78	Renewal of License Clifford M. Harrington, Atty. AMENDED 9-18-80 re: programming	GRANTED	5-11-78



## 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.

