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Commercial Broadcast Stations Biennial Ownership Report (FCC Form 323)

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Purpose: **Commercial Broadcast Stations Biennial Ownership Report** | Status: **Received** | Status Date: **01/16/2020**

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Section I - General Information

1. Respondent

FRN	Entity Name
0007283617	D.W.S., Inc.

Street Address	City (and Country if non U.S. address)	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	Zip Code	Phone	Email
15 Main Street	Champaign	IL	61820	+1 (217) 351-5300	MITM@WHMS.COM

2. Contact Representative

Name	Organization
Eve K. Reed	Wiley Rein LLP

Street Address	City (and Country if non U.S. address)	State	Zip Code	Phone	Email
1776 K Street, NW	Washington	DC	20006	+1 (202) 719-7404	ereed@wileyrein.com

3. Application Filing Fee

Question	Response
Is this application being submitted without a filing fee?	No

Fees

Application Type	Form Number	Fee Code	Quantity	Fee Amount	Subtotal
Biennial	Form 323	MAR	3	70	\$210.00
				Total	\$210.00

4. Nature of Respondent

(a) Provide the following information about the Respondent:	
Relationship to stations/permits	Licensee
Nature of Respondent	For-profit corporation

(b) Provide the following information about this report:	
Purpose	Biennial
"As of" date	10/01/2019 When filing a biennial ownership report or validating and resubmitting a prior biennial ownership report, this date must be Oct. 1 of the year in which this report is filed.

5. Licensee(s) and Station(s)

Respondent is filing this report to cover the following Licensee(s) and station(s):

Licensee/Permittee Name	FRN
D.W.S., Inc.	0007283617

Fac. ID No.	Call Sign	City	State	Service
14961	WDWS	CHAMPAIGN	IL	AM
14962	WHMS-FM	CHAMPAIGN	IL	FM
57469	WKIO	ARCOLA	IL	FM

Section II – Biennial Ownership Information**1. 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3613 and Other Documents**

Licensee Respondents that hold authorizations for one or more full power television, AM, and/or FM stations should list all contracts and other instruments set forth in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3613(a) through (c) for the facility or facilities listed on this report. In addition, attributable Local Marketing Agreements (LMAs) and attributable Joint Sales Agreements (JSAs) must be disclosed by the licensee of the brokering station on its ownership report. If the agreement is an attributable LMA, an attributable JSA, or a network affiliation agreement, check the appropriate box. Otherwise, select "Other." Non-Licensee Respondents, as well as Licensee Respondents that only hold authorizations for Class A television and/or low power television stations, should select "Not Applicable" in response to this question.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Certificate of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	Delaware
Date of execution	12/1978
Date of expiration	No expiration date

Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: incorporation of entity
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Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	Delaware
Date of execution	12/1980
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: amendment to certificate

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	Delaware
Date of execution	11/1987
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: amendment to certificate

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	Delaware
Date of execution	12/1989
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: amendment to certificate

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Certificate of Authority
Parties to contract or instrument	Illinois
Date of execution	01/1979
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: registering with state

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	On file
Date of execution	12/1978
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: by-laws with incorporation

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	01/1996
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: amendment

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	01/1998
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: amendment

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	01/2001
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: amendment

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Issuance of Stock (Chinigo)
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	12/1978
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: stock issuance

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Transfer of Stock (Trusts)
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	05/1984
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: stock issuance

Document Information	
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Description of contract or instrument	Transfer of Stock (N-G)
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	05/2003
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: transfer of stock

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Corp Resolution - Election of D&O
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	01/2017
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: election of officers & directors

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Affiliation Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	on file
Date of execution	06/2002
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Network Affiliation Agreement

2. Ownership Interests

(a) Ownership Interests. This Question requires Respondents to enter detailed information about ownership interests by generating a series of subforms. Answer each question on each subform. The first subform listing should be for the Respondent itself. If the Respondent is not a natural person, also list each of the officers, directors, stockholders, non-insulated partners, non-insulated members, and any other persons or entities with a direct attributable interest in the Respondent pursuant to the standards set forth in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3555. (A "direct" interest is one that is not held through any intervening companies or entities.) List each interest holder with a direct attributable interest in the Respondent separately.

Leave the percentage of total assets (Equity Debt Plus) field blank for an interest holder unless that interest holder has an attributable interest in the Respondent solely on the basis of the Commission's Equity Debt Plus attribution standard, 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3555, Note 2(i).

In the case of vertical or indirect ownership structures, list only those interests in the Respondent that also represent an attributable interest in the Licensee(s) for which the report is being submitted.

Entities that are part of an organizational structure that includes holding companies or other forms of indirect ownership must file separate ownership reports. In such a structure do not report, or file a separate report for, any interest holder that does not have an attributable interest in the Licensee(s) for which the report is being submitted.

Please see the Instructions for further detail concerning interests that must be reported in response to this question.

The Respondent must provide an FCC Registration Number for each interest holder reported in response to this question. Please see the Instructions for detailed information and guidance concerning this requirement.

Ownership Information		
FRN	0007283617	
Entity Name	D.W.S., Inc.	
Address	PO Box	

	Street 1	15 Main Street	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61820	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Respondent		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Respondent		
Tribal Nation or Tribal Entity	Interest holder is not a Tribal nation or Tribal entity		
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information

FRN	0027276237		
Name	James T. Farley		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St.	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No

from 0.0 to 100.0)	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0027201631		
Name	Kenneth Berents		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0019983014		
Entity Name	Marajen Stevick Foundation		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	

	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Other - Owns News-Gazette, Inc.		
Tribal Nation or Tribal Entity	Interest holder is not a Tribal nation or Tribal entity		
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information

FRN	0006869101		
Entity Name	The News-Gazette, Inc.		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Stockholder		
Tribal Nation or Tribal Entity	Interest holder is not a Tribal nation or Tribal entity		
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	100.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	100.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	100.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information

FRN	0019990647

Name	Michael L. Haile		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Officer		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0019991173		
Name	Ralph Gage		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender,	Citizenship	US	

Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0023016637		
Name	William E. Hawkins		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0019981646		
Name	Traci E. Nally		
Address	PO Box	677	

	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Officer		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Female	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information

FRN	0019990480		
Name	James M. Martin		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	

	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0019991439		
Name	Ann Reynolds		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Female	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0019991462		
Name	George Shapland		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		

	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Director		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

Ownership Information			
FRN	0019992536		
Name	John L. Reed, Jr.		
Address	PO Box	677	
	Street 1	15 Main St	
	Street 2		
	City	Champaign	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	IL	
	Zip/Postal Code	61824-0677	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Officer		
Citizenship, Gender, Ethnicity, and Race Information (Natural Persons Only)	Citizenship	US	
	Gender	Male	
	Ethnicity	Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Race	White	

Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	0.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	0.0%	
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%	
Does interest holder have an attributable interest in one or more broadcast stations that do not appear on this report?			No

(b) Respondent certifies that any interests, including equity, financial, or voting interests, not reported in this filing are non-attributable. If "No," submit as an exhibit an explanation.	Yes
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<p>(c) Does the Respondent or any reported interest holder hold an attributable interest in any newspaper entities in the same market as any station for which this report is filed, as defined in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3555?</p> <p>If "Yes," provide information describing the interest(s), using EITHER the subform OR the spreadsheet option below. Respondents with a large number (50 or more) of entries to submit should use the spreadsheet option.</p> <p>NOTE: Spreadsheets must be submitted in a special XML Spreadsheet format with the appropriate structure that is specified in the documentation. For instructions on how to use the spreadsheet option to complete this question (including templates to start with), please Click Here.</p> <p>If using the subform, leave the percentage of total assets (Equity Debt Plus) field blank for an interest holder unless that interest holder has an attributable interest in the newspaper entity solely on the basis of the Commission's Equity Debt Plus attribution standard, 47 C.F.R. Section 73.3555, Note 2(i). If using an XML Spreadsheet, enter "NA" into the percentage of total assets (Equity Debt Plus) field for an interest holder unless that interest holder has an attributable interest in the newspaper entity solely on the basis of the Commission's Equity Debt Plus attribution standard.</p> <p>The Respondent must provide an FCC Registration Number for each interest holder reported in response to this question. Please see the Instructions for detailed information and guidance concerning this requirement.</p>	Yes
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Other Newspaper Interests		
FRN	0019983014	
Name	Marajen Stevick Foundation	
Name of Newspaper	The News-Gazette	
Location of Newspaper	City	Champaign
	State	IL
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Other - Owns The News-Gazette, Inc.	
Interest Percentages	Voting	0.0%

(enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Equity	0.0%
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	0.0%

Other Newspaper Interests		
FRN	0006869101	
Name	The News-Gazette, Inc.	
Name of Newspaper	The News-Gazette	
Location of Newspaper	City	Champaign
	State	IL
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	Stockholder	
Interest Percentages (enter percentage values from 0.0 to 100.0)	Voting	100.0%
	Equity	100.0%
	Total assets (Equity Debt Plus)	100.0%

(d) Are any of the individuals listed as an attributable interest holder in the Respondent married to each other or related to each other as parentchild or as siblings?	No
If " <u>Yes</u> ," provide the following information for each such the relationship.	

(e) Is Respondent seeking an attribution exemption for any officer or director with duties wholly unrelated to the Licensee(s)?	No
If " <u>Yes</u> ," complete the information in the required fields and submit an Exhibit fully describing that individual's duties and responsibilities, and explaining why that individual should not be attributed an interest.	

3. Organizational Chart (Licensees Only)

Attach a flowchart or similar document showing the Licensee's vertical ownership structure including the Licensee and all entities that have attributable interests in the Licensee. Licensees with a single parent entity may provide a brief explanatory textual Exhibit in lieu of a flowchart or similar document. Licensees without parent entities should so indicate in a textual Exhibit.

Non-Licensee Respondents should select "N/A" in response to this question.

File Name	Uploaded By	Attachment Type	Description
DWS Organizational Chart.pdf	Applicant	Ownership Chart	Organizational Chart

Section III - Certification

Certification

Section	Question	Response
Authorized Party to Sign	WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001), AND /OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE --OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47,	

	SECTION 312(a)(1)), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 503).	
Certification	I certify that I have examined this report and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all statements in this report are true, correct and complete.	Official Title: Vice President Exact Legal Title or Name of Respondent: D.W. S., Inc. Name: Michael Haile Phone: 2173515300 01/16/2020