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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: **03/01/2018**

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Section I - General Information

1. Respondent

FRN	Entity Name
0003828738	Alabama Broadcasting Partners

Street Address	City (and Country if non U.S. address)	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	Zip Code	Phone	Email
c/o Beverly Poston One Television Place	Charlotte	NC	28205	+1 (704) 372-4434	bposton@bahakel.com

2. Contact Representative

Name	Organization
M. Anne Swanson	Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP

Street Address	City (and Country if non U.S. address)	State	Zip Code	Phone	Email
1800 M Street, NW Suite 800N	Washington	DC	20036	+1 (202) 383-3342	aswanson@wbklaw.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	MAT	2	95	\$140.00
				Total	\$140.00

4. Nature of Respondent**(a) Provide the following information about the Respondent:**

Relationship to stations/permits	Licensee
Nature of Respondent	General partnership

(b) Provide the following information about this report:

Purpose	Biennial
"As of" date	10/01/2017 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
Alabama Broadcasting Partners	0003828738

Fac. ID No.	Call Sign	City	State	Service
701	WAKA	SELMA	AL	DTV
68427	WBMM	TUSKEGEE	AL	DTV

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	Articles of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	05/1964
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws of Bahakel Communications, Ltd.
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	10/1982
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws of Bahakel Communications, Ltd.
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	07/2013
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Articles of Organization
Parties to contract or instrument	State of North Carolina
Date of execution	03/2008
Date of expiration	12/2085
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: New Voting Stock, LLC

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to Articles of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	12/1973
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws of Bahakel Communications, Ltd.
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	03/1995
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

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Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to General Partnership Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama Telecasters, Inc. & Bahakel Broadcasting Company
Date of execution	11/2012
Date of expiration	12/2022
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Broadcasting Partners

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Pledge Agreement (Stockholders)
Parties to contract or instrument	BSP Agency, LLC
Date of execution	07/2015
Date of expiration	07/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: New Voting Stock, LLC

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Articles of Incorporation, as later Amended (for change of address)
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	05/1992
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Broadcasting Company

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Corporate By-Laws, as Amended
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	02/1974
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Credit Facility Credit Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	BSP Agency, LLC et al.
Date of execution	07/2015
Date of expiration	07/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.; Bahakel Broadcasting Company; Alabama Telecasters, Inc.; Alabama Broadcasting Partners

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Description of contract or instrument	Partnership Agreement, as Amended
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama Telecasters, Inc. & Bahakel Broadcasting Company
Date of execution	05/1992
Date of expiration	12/2010
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Broadcasting Partners

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama
Date of execution	08/1963
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Telecasters, Inc.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to General Partnership Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama Telecasters, Inc. & Bahakel Broadcasting Company
Date of execution	06/2011
Date of expiration	12/2015
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Broadcasting Partners

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Articles of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama
Date of execution	08/1963
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Telecasters, Inc.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Operating Agreement of New Voting Stock LLC
Parties to contract or instrument	Beverly B. Poston, as Manager, Beverly B. Poston as Trustee of the CY N. Bahakel Trust, dated January 12, 2005 and Christopher C. Jones (assigned 8/6/08 to the 2000 Bahakel Descendants Trust)
Date of execution	04/2008
Date of expiration	12/2085
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: New Voting Stock, LLC

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Description of contract or instrument	Shareholders Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	Shareholders in Bahakel Communications, Ltd., Bahakel Communications, Ltd., CY N. Bahakel Family Trust IV
Date of execution	06/2009
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Corporate By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	05/1992
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Broadcasting Company

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to Articles of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	10/1982
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Security Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	BSP Agency, LLC
Date of execution	07/2015
Date of expiration	07/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.; Bahakel Broadcasting Company; Alabama Telecasters, Inc.; Alabama Broadcasting Partners

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to Articles of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	02/1999
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.

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Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to By-Laws
Parties to contract or instrument	North Carolina
Date of execution	03/1995
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Broadcasting Company

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Pledge Agreement (Credit Parties)
Parties to contract or instrument	BSP Agency, LLC
Date of execution	01/2015
Date of expiration	01/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.; Bahakel Broadcasting Company; Alabama Telecasters, Inc.

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Amendment to General Partnership Agreement
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama Telecasters, Inc. & Bahakel Broadcasting Company
Date of execution	12/2010
Date of expiration	12/2015
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Broadcasting Partners

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Agreement for Sale of Commercial Time and Services
Parties to contract or instrument	Sagamorehill Broadcasting, LLC and Channel 32 Montgomery, LLC
Date of execution	07/2011
Date of expiration	07/2019
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: grandfathered, non-attributable JSA

Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	Certificate of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation
Parties to contract or instrument	Alabama
Date of execution	12/1985
Date of expiration	No expiration date
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Alabama Telecasters, Inc.

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Description of contract or instrument	Network Affiliation Agreement (Effective Sept. 2015) (WBMM)
Parties to contract or instrument	The CW Plus Station Affiliation Agreement and Alabama Telecasters, Inc.
Date of execution	10/2015
Date of expiration	09/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Network Affiliation Agreement

Document Information

Description of contract or instrument	Primary Affiliation Agreement (WAKA)
Parties to contract or instrument	CBS Affiliate Relations, a unit of CBS Corporation and Alabama Telecasters, Inc.
Date of execution	02/2016
Date of expiration	03/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Network Affiliation Agreement

Document Information

Description of contract or instrument	MeTV Network Affiliation Agreement (WAKA)
Parties to contract or instrument	Madison Halsted Me-TV LLC, General Partner of Me-TV National Limited Partnership and Alabama Telecasters, Inc.
Date of execution	10/2015
Date of expiration	02/2020
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Network Affiliation Agreement

Document Information

Description of contract or instrument	Affiliation Agreement (Effective 10/2013), as extended (WBMM)
Parties to contract or instrument	TNN Television, LLC and Alabama Telecasters, Inc.
Date of execution	09/2013
Date of expiration	09/2016
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Network Affiliation Agreement

Document Information

Description of contract or instrument	ION Media Networks, Inc. ("ION") Affiliation Binding Term Sheet (WAKA)
Parties to contract or instrument	ION Media Networks, Inc. and Alabama Telecasters, Inc.
Date of execution	07/2017
Date of expiration	08/2019

Agreement type (check all that apply)	Network Affiliation Agreement
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Document Information	
Description of contract or instrument	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, as extended
Parties to contract or instrument	BSP Agency, LLC
Date of execution	03/2017
Date of expiration	05/2018
Agreement type (check all that apply)	Other Agreement Type: Bahakel Communications, Ltd.; Bahakel Broadcasting Company; Alabama Telecasters, Inc.; Alabama Broadcasting Partners

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	0003828738	
Entity Name	Alabama Broadcasting Partners	
Address	PO Box	
	Street 1	c/o Beverly Poston
	Street 2	One Television Place
	City	Charlotte
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	NC
	Zip/Postal Code	28205
	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	0019312859		
Entity Name	Bahakel Broadcasting Company		
Address	PO Box		
	Street 1	c/o Beverly Poston	
	Street 2	One Television Place	
	City	Charlotte	
	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	NC	
	Zip/Postal Code	28205	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	General Partner		
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	1.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	1.0%	
	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?			Yes

Ownership Information

FRN	0001752823		
Entity Name	ALABAMA TELECASTERS, INC.		
Address	PO Box		
	Street 1	c/o Beverly Poston	
	Street 2	One Television Place	
	City	Charlotte	

	State ("NA" if non-U.S. address)	NC	
	Zip/Postal Code	28205	
	Country (if non-U.S. address)	United States	
Listing Type	Other Interest Holder		
Positional Interests (check all that apply)	General Partner		
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	99.0%	Jointly Held? No
	Equity	99.0%	
	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>	No
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(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 "Yes," 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 "Yes," 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
Organizational Chart_2017.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: Pres of Mnging P'ner of Ala Broadcasting Partners Exact Legal Title or Name of Respondent: Alabama Broadcasting Partners Name: Beverly B Poston Phone: 7043724434 03/01/2018