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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

WITA (eff. 3-10-80)
x W K V Q (eff: 3-16-76)

Date first licensed 11-1-60

Call letters *x W R O L

(EFF: 3-7-80)
FORUS COMMUNICATIONS OF TENNESEEE, INC. (AL: 1-15-80)
x ROBERT B. BLOW and ROBERT G. BLOW (AL: 1-15-80 EFF:
x RADIO KNOXVILLE, INC. (AL: 1-15-80 EFF:
x WROL, INC. (BML 11-1-60)

Station location ~~Fountain City, Tenn.~~ Knoxville, Tenn. ~~(BP-4-22-64)~~

*Pet. filed 8-5-60 by WATE to rescind - DISMISSED 9-20-60 - Memo Opinion & Order

Name of licensee XWFCT, INC.

Night time - Richmond Ave., Adjacent to water reservoir, in City of Knoxville, Tenn.
Daytime - Montrose Drive at Maple Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee (BP 4-22-64) (L 9-28-64)
xMontrose Dr. at Maple Dr., Fountain City, Tenn. (BL-11-1-60)

Transmitter location xNear Rockcrest Rd., 0.9 mile W. of Broadway, Fountain City, Tennessee

1830 White Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee (BP 2-20-73) L 8-30-74)
x5041 N.Broadway, Knoxville, Tenn. (Ltr. 3-11-68)
x5014 North Broadway, Knoxville, Tennessee (BP 4-22-64) (L 9-28-64)
x5014 North Broadway, Fountain City, Tenn. (BL-11-1-60)

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Main studio location xTo be determined, Fountain City, Tennessee (BP 7-27-60)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From	To
BP-12,803	7-27-60	1490kc	250w	U	9-27	3-27-61
	CP for a new standard broadcast station.					
BL-8093	11-1-60	1490kc	250w	U	11-1	8-1-61
	Lic. to cover cp (BP-12,803) which auth. a new standard b/c station.					
BML-1902 (1)	11-1-60	Mod. of license to change name to WROL, INC.				
	7-26-61	Comm. deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.				
BR-3922	9-15-61	1490kc	250w	Unl	9-15	8-1-64
BP-15954	4-22-64	1490kc	250w,1kw-LS	U	6-22	12-22-64
	CP to incr. daytime power to 1kw, install a new transmitter (GATES BC-1F), change station loc. to Knoxville, Tennessee (Cond'l).					
BR-3922	7-15-64	Renewal of license			8-1	8-1-67
BL-10,630	9-28-64	1490kc	250w,1kw-LS	U	9-28	8-1-67
	Lic to cover construction permit (BP-15,954) which auth incr day power, install new trans and chg station loc to Knoxville, Tennessee.					
BR-3922	7-31-67	Renewal of License			8-1	8-1-70
BL-6650 (1)	10-31-67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.				
Ltr.	3-11-68	Correct studio & Remote Control location to 5041 N. Broadway, Knoxville, Tenn.				
BR-3922(L)	7-31-70	RENEWAL			8-1-73	
EBSA	5-22-72					
BP-19,121	2-20-73	1490khz	250W-LS (DL)		2-20-74	
	(specify two site operation) CP to chg. ant. trans. loc. night site and studio loc. & RC. (NIGHT SITE)					
BR-3922(L)	8-1-74	Renewal of License (Daytime)			8-1-76	
BL-12,274		Lic. to cover BP-19,121 (Nighttime site)				
BR-3922(L)						
BTC-7923	2/25/76	Vol TC	EFF: 3/1/76			
BP-20377	7-21-76 CPchg.	1490khz ant. sys.	1kw & trans.	Day Site	RC	7-21-77

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June 1975

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W K V Q

Station location .....

Name of licensee W R O L, INC.

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BP-780814AT	11-27-78	1490khz	250w 1kW	U	5-3-79
(L) CP TO REPLACE EXPIRED PERMIT (BP-20377).					
BR-3922(S)	11-30-78	Renewal of License (Nighttime Site)			8-1-79
BR-3922(S)	"	(Daytime Site)			
BR-790402VW BL-781006AH(L)	7-18-79	Renewal of License and Lic. to cover BP-20377 for changes DAYTIME			8-1-82
BAL791115FZ	1-15-80	VOL. AL		EFF:	3-7-80
BAL791115GA	1-15-80	VOL. AL		EFF:	3-7-80
BAL791115GB	1-15-80	VOL. AL		EFF:	3-7-80
EBSA	3-10-80	CALL SIGN CHANGE			
BR-3922 BL-13474	7-18-79	XXXXXXXXXX RENEWAL OF NIGHTTIME,			

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters NEW W R O L

Name WFCT, INC.
(P.O. 1223 Volunteer Building, Chattanooga 2, Tennessee)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-12,803 Rec'd Filed	1-29-59 2-3-59 2-3-59	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1490kc Power - 250w Hours of operation - Unlimited Trans. location - Near Rockcrest Road 0.9 mile West of Broadway, Fountain City, Tenn. Studio location - To be determined Fountain City, Tennessee Remote Control Point- Same as studio STATION LOCATION- FOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE Atty.-Miller & Schroeder Engr.- Lynne C. Smeby-	~~Retd~~ ~~Notified by officer~~ GRANTED	~~2-26-59~~ 7-27-60

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

Raytheon RA-250

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W R O L

Name W F C T , INC.
FOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-8093 Rec'd Filed	8-18-60 8-22-60 8-22-60	License to cover C.P. (BP-12,803) which auth. a new standard broadcast station. Atty's: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	11-1-60
BML-1902 Rec'd Filed	8-31-60 9-12-60 9-12-60	Modification of license to change name to WROL, INC. Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED	11-1-60
BR-3922 Rec'd Filed	4-27-61 5-15-61 5-15-61	Renewal of License. Arthur R. Schroeder, Atty.	GRANTED	9-15-61
BP-15,954 R. & F. Accepted per Ltr. 7-24-63	6-10-63 6-11-63	CP to incr. daytime power from 250w to 1 kw, install a new trans. (Gates BC-1F), change station location from Fountain City, Tenn., to Knoxville, Tennessee. Atty: Miller & Schroeder Engr: John H. Mullaney & Associates	GRANTED Cond'l re: Permittee shall submit with the applic. for lic. antenna resistance measurements. Permittee shall accept any interference. 250 watt Class IV station	4-22-64

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CARD #3

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WROL

Name WROL, INC.
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-3922 R & F	4-23-64 5-1-64	Renewal of License Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty.	GRANTED	7-15-64
BL-10,630 R. & F.	5-15-64 5-18-64	Lic to cover construction permit(BP-15,954) which auth incr day power, install new trans and chg station loc to Knoxville, Tennessee. Atty: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	9-28-64
BR-3922 R & F	4-27-67 5-2-67	Renewal of license. Atty: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	7-31-67
BL-6650 R & F DM-9/8/67	8/30/67 9/1/67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of ant. power. Engr: Ambrose W. Kramer, Knoxville, Tn.	GRANTED	10-31-67

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W R O L

Name WROL, INC.
Knoxville, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP- Rec'd MAR 12 1969	1-23-68 1-26-68	CP to install former main trans (Raytheon RA-250) at main trans loc, to be operated on 1490kc, 250w, for auxiliary purposes only, with remote control from studios	Returned Unnecessary	3-8-68
BR-3922 R & F $75 #598828 PN Recd. PRESS	4-6-70 5-4-70 " MAY 22 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty. AMENDED 6-8-70 re: business interests AMENDED 7-16-70 re: commercial policy	GRANTED	7-31-70
BP-19,121 Rec'd Filed #012402 $50 Acc. 060 Press NOV 18 1971	10-8-71 10-15-71 10-15-71 10-15-71	Construction permit to change antenna-transmitter location to ~~Near Middlebrook Pike 3.5 miles West of Main Post Office, Knoxville, Tennessee~~ and make changes in the antenna system. ~~35° 57' 42" - 83° 58' 53"~~ Atty: John D. Pellegrin	GRANTED	2-20-73

Amended 11-3-71 re: Tower Sketch (OVER)
PETITION TO DISMISS OR DENY filed 12-1-71 by Ochelshausen (WNOX) & Rosenberg for (WKGN).

Amended 12-29-72 re: to chg. nighttime 250 watt operation to new site on Richmond Ave., Adjacent to water reservoir, in Knoxville, Tenn. with studio and remote control point at 1830 White Ave., Knoxville, Tenn. (Day site to remain as licensed). FEB 9 1973

Amended 1-26-73 re: to correct coordinates to: NL 35° 58' 11" WL 83° 57' 56" FEB 9 1973

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1490 kc

Call Letters WKVQ WXXO L

Name WROL, INC.
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-3922 Rec'd PN Recd. FILED PRESS MAY	4-30-73 5-3-73 " 5-7-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE John D. Pellegrin, Atty. AMENDED 10-19-73 re: EEO program AMENDED 4-25-74 re: EEO	GRANTED	8-30-74
BL-13474 Rec'd & Filed $50 #517956 PTA PRESS AUG 6	7-6-73 7-10-73 7-13-73 7-20-73 1973	Lic. to cover BP-19121 for changes (Night site) Atty. John D. Pellegrin	GRANTED (Issued	8-30-74 with renewal)
BTC -7923 R & F FEE PD: $200 # 505090 CODE 047 DEC 31 1975 PN filed	11-30-75 12-3-75 1/8/76	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Frank E. Pellegrin, Samuel P. Thrower, and Agnes R. French, Trustee for the Estate of Carlin Scott French (deceased) to Radio Knoxville, Inc. Atty for transferor - Larry Penry, Oak Ridge, Tenn for transferee - Fisher, Wayland etc	GRANTED EFF: FEE REQ:	2/25/76 & 3/1/76 Pd 3/13/76 W 540182

RE: BTC-7923 - AMENDED 2-23-76 - financial data
Financial data filed 3-12-76 (transferee)

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1490 kc

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September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W K V Q

Name WROL, INC.
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-3922 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-29-76 4-12-76 " APR 19 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 5-27-76 re: Balance Sheet	GRANTED	11-30-78
BP-20,377 Rec'd Filed $100-574551 AC:001 PRESS:	5-10-76 6-1-76 6-1-76 6-1-76 JUN 18 1976	Construction permit to decrease ant. height and chg. type trans. GATE MW-1 {Daytime site only}	GRANTED	7-21-76
BP-780814AT PRESS:	SEP 21 1978	CP replace expired permit (BP-20,377) (FOR CHANGES) REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 1.534(b) OF COMMISSION RULES. Atty: Larry D. Perry	GRANTED	11-27-78

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1490khz

Call Letters W K V Q

ROBERT B. BLOW and ROBERT G. BLOW
#7 xRADIO KNOXVILLE, INC.

Name x WROL, INC.
Knoxville, Tennessee

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BL-781006AH R & F PTA PRESS APR 4 1979	10-6-78 11-27-78	Lic. to cover BP-20377 xx for changes	GRANTED issued with RENEWAL	5-18-79
BR790402VW PRESS MAY 9 1979		Renewal of License Atty. Larry D. Perry (Oak Ridge, TN)	GRANTED issued with BL-781006AH	7-18-79
BAL791115FZ Form 316 PRESS DEC 3 1979	11-9-79	Vol. AL to RADIO KNOXVILLE, INC. (over) Atty - William Bernton (Glaser,Fletcher,etc.) MUTUALLY CONTINGENT ON GR OF BAL791115GA /GB	GRANTED EFF:	1-15-80
BAL791115GA Form 316 PRESS DEC 3 1979	11-9-79	Vol. AL to ROBERT B. BLOW and ROBERT G. BLOW Atty - William Bernton (Glaser,Fletcher,etc.) MUTUALLY CONTINGENT ON GR OF ABOVE AL-BAL/FZ/GB	GRANTED EFF:	1-15-80

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SEE CARD #8

BAL/FZ Note: Arts. of Inc. and By-laws on file with same call sign BTC-7923 gr: 2-25-76

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May 1976 #8

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W I T A / XWKVQ

FORUS COMMUNICATIONS OF TENNESSEE, INC.

Name xx*Robert B. Blow and Robert G. Blow

Knoxville, Tenn.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-791115GB FORM 314 PRESS: DEC 3 1979 PN FILED	1-4-80	Vol AL to FORUS COMMUNICATIONS OF TENNESSEE, INC. MUTUALLY CONTINGENT ON GR OF BAL-791115FZ and *BAL " GA Atty for assignee - Wm. P. Bernton	GRANTED EFF:	1-15-80 3-7-80

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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 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.