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FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed JANUARY 12, 1965

Call letters W G H K-FM

Station location CANTON, GEORGIA

Name of licensee CHEROKEE BROADCASTING CO., INC.

(BPH-10998 11-7-78)
Transmitter location Georgia Hwy #140, 1.3 mi. N. of city limits, Canton, Georgia
On Georgia Hwy. #5, 0.8 mi. S. of Canton, Ga. (PH 12-24-63)(LH 1-12-65)

Main studio location On Georgia Hwy. #5, 0.8 mi. S. of Canton, Ga. (PH 12-24-63)(LH 1-12-65)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-4161 HAAT:81'	12-24-63	105.5mcs Ch.288	ERP:3kw TPO:1kw	Unl.	2-24 8-24-64 (Cond'l)
	CP for a new Class A FM broadcast station.				
BMPH-7789 (1)	3-25-64	Mod. of CP(BPH-4161) to chg. type ant. (GE BY-4, 4 secs.).			
BMPH-7935 (2)	9-22-64	Mod. of CP(BPH-4161 as mod.)for ext. of completion date to 11-15-64.			
BLH-2621 HAAT:81'	1-12-65	105.5mcs Ch.#288	ERP:3kw TPO:1kw	Unl.	1-12-65 4-1-67
	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-4161, as mod.) which auth. a new FM Broadcast Station.				
Wire	5-18-66	Auth. remain silent thru 7-15-66.			
Ltr. dated 7-16-66 & rec'd 7-20-66 giving notification per Sect. 73.250(a)(5) Rules that Gates FM-3G trans. is now installed & in oper. (Eff:6-21-66)					
BPH-5461 HAAT: 81'(h&v)	7-25-66	105.5mc. ch#288	ERP: 3kw(h&v) TPO: 2.85kw	U	9-25-66 3-25-67
cond'l	CP to install vertical ant(Gates 300G-2, 2 sections); increase TPO; and operate on a vert. ERP;				
BLH-3421 HAAT: 81' (H&V)	12-30-66	105.5mcs CH.#288	ERP:3kw(H&V) TPO:2.85kw	U	12-30 4-1-67
	Lic to cover CP(BPH-5461) which auth install vert ant., chg. TPO & operate with vert. ERP.				
BRH-1580	3-29-67	Renewal of License			4-1 4-1-70
BRH-1580	6-30-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-73
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-1580	5-11-73	(Short)	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		4-1-76
BRH-1580(L)	3-9-76		RENEWAL		4-1-79
BPH-10998 HAAT: 380' (L)	11-7-78 (H&V)	105.5mhz CP to chg TL , type antenna mke chgs in antenna system	ERP: 1.8kW (H&V)		11-7-79
BLH-790724AE (L)	10-23-79	Lic.(BPH-10998) FOR CHGS.			4-1-82

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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed .....

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Station Location .....

Name .....

Transmitter Location .....

Main studio location .....

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December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BRH781128WC(S)	1-24-80	Renewal of License	4-1-82
BMLH-810316AI HAAT: 380'(H&V) (1)	6-19-81	MODIFICATION OF LICENSE TO INSTALL NEW TRANSMISSION SYSTEM.	

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~NEW~~ W C H K-FM

Name CHEROKEE BROADCASTING CO., INC.
CANTON, GEORGIA (PO Box 1290, Canton, Ga.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-4161 R & F	10-1-63 10-11-63	Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Freq.: 105.5mcs, Ch.288A ERP: 3kw Type trans.: WE 503B-2 TPO: 1kw Type ant.: Andrew, 1304, 4 secs. HAAT: 81' Trans. loc.: Ga. Hwy. #5, Canton, Ga. (Same as AM) Studio loc.: Same as trans. loc. Everett D. Johnston, Atty.	GRANTED Cond'l re W C H K submit 302s	12-24-63
BMPH-7789 R & F	3-9-64 3-12-64	Mod. of CP (BPH-4161 which auth a new FM B/C station) to make chgs to transmission line and install new ant (GE-BY-4, 4 sect). Atty: Roberts & McInnis	GRANTED	3-25-64

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

FORM BC-121 #2
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCHK-FM

Name CHEROKEE BROADCASTING CO., INC.
CANTON, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-7935 R&F	8-13-64 8-14-64	Mod of CP (BPH-4161 as mod which auth a new FM B/C station) for ext comple date from 8-24-64 to 10-24-64. Atty: Roberts & McInnis	Granted to	9-22-64 11-15-64
BLH-2621 Received Filed	8-19-64 8-21-64 9-22-64	License to cover CP (BPH-4161 as modified) which authorized a new FM broadcast station. Atty: Roberts & McInnis	GRANTED	1-12-65
BPH-5461 R & F	6-18-66 6-28-66	CP to install vertical ant. (Gates 300G-2, 2 sections); increase TPO to 2.829kw; and operate with vertical ERP of 3kw. McInnis, Wilson, Munson & Woods, Attys. (E.D.Johnston)	GRANTED cond'l	7-25-66 submit 302's for WCHK

FORM BC-121 #3
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters W C H K-FM

Name CHEROKEE BROADCASTING CO., INC.
Canton, Georgia 30114

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-3421 Rec'd Filed	9/22/66 9/27/66 10/6/66	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-5461) which auth. install vert. ant., chng. TPO and operate with vert. ERP. Atty: E. D. Johnston	GRANTED	12-30-66
BRH-1580 R & F	12-22-66 12-30-66	Renewal of license Atty- Everett D. Johnston	GRANTED	3-29-67
BRH-1580 R & F #564558 $75. P. N.	12-22-69 12-23-69 12-23-69 12-23-69	Renewal of License Atty.: E. D. Johnston JAN 1970	GRANTED	6-30-70
BRH-1580 R & F P.N. PRESS	12-1-72 12-20-72 12-20-72	Renewal of License	GRANTED	5-11-73
BRH-1580 R & F PN PRESS	11-25-75 12-1-75 12-1-75 JAN 27 1976	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-9-76

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105.5MHz

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters W.C.H.K-FM

Name CHEROKEE BROADCASTING CO., INC.
CANTON, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-10998 Rec'd Filed PRESS: JUN 26 1978	2-1-78 2-7-78 2-7-78	CP to chg TL: Georgia Hiway #140, 1.3 mi. N of city limits, Canton, Georgia; chg type ant: (RCA BFH-3,3 circular polarized sects (H&V); make chgs. in ant. sytem(incr hght); ERP:1.78 KW(H&V) and HAAT: 382'(H&V) 34° 16' 06" 84° 29' 50" ATTY:----- ENGR: F Keith Brown(Columbus,Georgia)	GRANTED	11-7-78
BRH 781128 WC PRESS FEB 27 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	1-24-80
BLH-790724AE PTA PRESS	8-2-79 SEP 12 1979	Lic. (BPH-10998) for chgs. Atty.: Clifford Bond, III	GRANTED (Issued with special condition)	10-23-79

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WCHK-FM

Name: CHEROKEE BROADCASTING CO., INC.

Station Location: CANTON, GEORGIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BMLH-810316AI PTA PRESS	MAR 25 1981	Modification of License to install new Transmission System. Atty: --	GRANTED 6-19-81

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March 1979

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 12th 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.