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FM BROADCAST

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W C K X (EFF. 10-1-80)
X W O K F (EFF: 10-13-76)

Date first licensed September 27, 1963

Call letters XWTAN-FM

Station location CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

METROPLEX COMMUNICATIONS OF TAMPA BAY, INC Dual City I.D.: Clearwater-St. Petersburg, Florida (1-16-79)
(ALH8-8-80, EFF: 9-26-80

x BENI OF FLORIDA, INC. (APLH gr 4/7/77 EFF: 4/30/77

Name of licensee xCLEARWATER RADIO, INC.

16th Ave. S.E., Largo, Florida (PH-3-3-77)

X200 Pierce Blvd. at Bayfront, Clearwater, Fla. (MPH 5-21-63)(LH9-27-63)

Transmitter location XSW corner of S. Ft. Harrison Ave. & Pierce Blvd. Clearwater, Fla.
(CP 7-27-62)

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Main studio location 200 Pierce Blvd., Clearwater, Fla. (CP 7-27-62)(LH 9-27-63)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPH-3761 HAAT:185'	7-27-62	95.7mcs Ch.239	ERP:20kw TPO:5kw	Unl.	9-27 3-27-63
	CP for a new FM Broadcast Station. Trans. to be operated by RC.				
BMPH-7535 (1)	3-20-63	Mod. of CP(BPH-3761) for extension of completion date to 8-27-63.			
BMPH-7600 (2)	5-21-63	Mod. of CP(BPH-3761, as mod.) to chg. ant.-trans. loc.; delete RC oper. of trans.; chgs. in ant. sys.; decr. ERP to 18kw & HAAT to 130'. (Cond'l).			
BLH-2433 HAAT:130'	9-27-63	95.7mcs Ch.239	ERP:18kw TPO:5kw	Unl.	9-27 2-1-64
	Lic. to cover CP(BPH-3761, as mod.) which auth. a new FM Broadcast Station & specify type trans. as Collins 830E-1A.				
BRH-1486	1-17-64	Renewal of License			2-1 2-1-67
BRH-1486	1-13-67	Renewal of License			2-1 2-1-70
BRH-1486 (s)	1-29-70	Renewal			2-1-73
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-1486(L)	1-3-74	RENEWAL(COND'L)			2-1-76
BRH-1486(S)	1-28-76	Renewal of license			2-1-79
BTC-8060	8/26/76	Vol TC EFF: 10/12/76			
EBSA	10-13-76	Call letter changed			
BPH-9968 HAAT:450' (L)	3-3-77 (H&V)	95.7MHz #239	ERP: 100kw(H&V)U TPO:18kw (RC)		9-3-77
	CP to chg TL; operate RC from studio site install new trans; new ant; mke chg ant. sys(decr hght): chg TPO,ERP,HAAT.				
BAPLH-204	4/7/77	Vol APLH EFF: 4/30/77			
BPH-9968 (1)	6-28-77	Modification of CP to add condition			
BSCA-1831	5-5-78	SCA on 67 khz.			2-1-79
BLH-7666	10- 6-78	Lic. (BPH-9968) for chgs.			2-1-79
BRH-78110 (s)	7UA 3-13-79	Renewal of license & SCA			2-1-82

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June 1975

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WOKF

Station location .....

Name of licensee BENI OF FLORIDA, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BLH-790713AF HAAT:130' (L)	6-26-80	95.7MHz Lic. to auth. main trans.	ERP:20KW operate fac.	formerly as aux.	2-1-82
BALH800509EB E B S A	8-8--80 10-1-80	CALL SIGN CHANGE	VOL ALH	EFF:	9-26-80
BTCH 800922GV	10-6-80	VOL TCH		EFF:	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W T A N-FM new

Name CLEARWATER RADIO, INC.
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA (P.O. H. D. Parker, 200 Pierce Blvd., Box 1109, Clearwater, Fla.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-3761 Rec'd Filed	5-1-62 5-4-62 5-4-62	CP for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 95.7mc CH 239 ERP 19.86kw Type Antenna - Collins 37 M-4 (4 sections) HAAT 185.5 feet Type transmitter - Collins 830 E-1 TPO 5kw Trans. location - SW Corner of S. Ft. Harrison Ave. & Pierce Blvd. Clearwater, Florida Studio location - 200 Pierce Boulevard Clearwater, Fla. (Same as AM) Remote Control - Same as studio Atty. Hogan & Hartson Eng. Silliman, Moffet and Kowalski	GRANTED ERP HAAT	7-27-62 20kw 185 ft

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FORM BC-121 #2
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters .....

Name CLEARWATER RADIO, INC.
Clearwater, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-7535 R & F	2-18-63 2-20-63	Mod. of CP (BPH-3761 which auth a new Class C FM B/C station) for extension of completion date from 3-27-63 to 8-27-63. Atty: Hogan & Hartson	GRANTED	3-20-63
BMPH-7600 R & F	5-2-63 5-7-63	Mod. of CP (BPH-3761 as mod which auth a new Class C FM B/C station) to decr ERP from 20 to 18.25kw; decr HAAT from 185' to 128'; chg ant (Collins-37M-4, 4 sect); chg ant-trans loc from SW corner of S. Ft. Harrison Ave. and Pierce Boulevard to 200 Pierce Boulevard at Bayfront, Clearwater, Florida; make chgs to ant-sys and delete remote control. Atty: Hogan & Hartson	GRANTED Cond'l re WTAN submit 302s	5-21-63

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WTAN-FM

Name CLEARWATER RADIO, INC.
Clearwater, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BLH-2433 R & F	7-28-63 8-2-63	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-3761 as mod) which auth a new Class C FM B/C station and specify trans as (COLLINS-830E1A). Atty: Hogan & Hartson	GRANTED	9-27-63
BRH-1486 Rec'd Filed	11-1-63 11-4-63 11-4-63	Renewal of license Atty. Corwin R. Lockwood	GRANTED	1-17-64
BRH-1486 R & F	10-31-66 11-1-66	Renewal of license Atty. Hogan & Hartson	GRANTED	1-13-67
BRH-1486 R & F #554031 $75. PN PRESS	10-30-69 11-3-69 11-3-69 11-3-69 DEC 1 1 1969	Renewal of license Atty: Hogan & Hartson(Corwin R. Lockwood) AMENDED 1-6-70 re: Replacement of Sections I & IV-A AMENDED 1-22-70 re: Programming	GRANTED	1-29-70

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WTAN-FM

Name CLEARWATER RADIO, INC.
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-1486 R & F PN Recd. PRESS NOV 29 197	11-1-72 11-6-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Corwin R. Lockwood, Atty. AMENDED 3-5-73 re: employment practices	GRANTED (Cond'l re: EEOP REPORT)	1-3-74
BRH-1486 R&F PN Recd. FILED	9-25-75 10-1-75 " 10-9-75 NOV 3 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	1-28-76
BTC -8060 Rec'd SEE AM FOR FEE PD: FILED (Cert Art of Inc. filed) Prec 6-30-76	6-11-76 6-11-76 6-25-76	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from H. Dennison Parker, James J. Short and Frank L. Reid (all stockholders) to Beni of Florida, Inc. Atty for transferor - Hogan & Hartson for transferee - Arent, Fox etc (Epstein)	GRANTED EFF: FEE REQ:	8/26/76 10/12/76 pd 10/18/76 W 625478

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters W O K F
X WTAN-FM

BENI OF FLORIDA, INC.
Name xClearwater Radio, Inc.
Clearwater, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-9968 Rec'd Filed #584614 $400 Code 001 Press P. N. Rec'd	6-23-76 6-24-76 6-24-76 6-25-76 AUG 25 1976 7-15-76	CP to chg. TL to: 16th Avenue S. E., Largo, Florida; operate by RC from studio site: 200 Pierce Boulevard, Clearwater, Florida; install new trans. (Harris FM-20H3); install new ant. (Harris FMS-12, 12 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (decr. hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 100KW(H&V) and HAAT: 447.4' (H&V). 27° 54' 9.40" - 82° 46' 53.96" Atty: Gary M. Epstein (Arent, Fox etc.)	GRANTED MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACT. UNDER SECT. 1.1305 OF COM. RULES	9-3-77
AMENDED AMENDED	11-5-76 1-31-77	Additional info on control of station Financial (balance sheet)		
BAPLH-204 R & F Also see WTAN(AM) FORM 316 MAR 15 1977	2/22/77 3/3/77	Voluntary assignment of license and CP(BPH-9968 CP to chg TL;operate by RC;install new trans/ant;etc) to BENI OF FLORIDA, INC. Atty - Arent,Fox,etc(Gary Epstein)	GRANTED EFF:	4/7/77 4/30/77

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

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95.7mhz.

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May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WOKF

Name BENI OF FLORIDA, INC.
Clearwater, Florida

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
LTR. DATED R & F PRESS: JAN 25 1978 AMENDED AMENDED	12-14-77 12-14-77 8-18-78 7-18-78	Filed by Gary M. Epstein, Esq., Request for Tri-City Identification as: CLEARWATER-~~TAMPA~~-ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA. With ref. to Coverage. Clarify infor. provided with the waiver request. (OVER)	GRANTED	1-16-79
BLH-7666 R & F PTA: PRESS: MAR 15 1978	8-12-77 8-12-77 2-15-78	Lic. (BPH-9968) for changes. Atty: Gary M. Epstein (Arent, Fox, Kintner)	GRANTED	10-[illegible]-78
BSCA-1831 R & F PRESS: APR 26 1978	4-14-78 4-17-78	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67 kilohertz. Atty: Gary M. Epstein (Arent, Fox, etc.)	GRANTED	5-5-78

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9-1-78 Response to a reply filed 8-30-78 by BENI of Florida, Inc. to the informal objectiobection of Plough B/Cing Co., Inc.

AMENDED 11-7-78 DELETE TAMPA in request for dual city identification.

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May 1978

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters W O K F

Name METROPLEX COMMUNICATIONS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.
xBENI OF FLORIDA, INC.
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-781107UA BRSCA " PRESS	DEC 4 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA Gary M. Epstein, Atty.	GRANTED	3-13-79
BALH800509EB FORM 314 PRESS PN FILED	MAY 29 19 5-29-80	Vol. AL to Metroplex Communications of Tampa Bay, Inc. Atty: Assignor: Gary M. Epstein (Arent, Fox) Assignee: Elliot B. Evers (Shrinsky & Eisen)	GRANTED EFF:	8-8-80 9-26-80
BLH-790713AF PTA PRESS	JUL 2 1980	License to operate formerly authorized main facilities as auxiliary transmitter. Atty: Gary M. Epstein	GRANTED	6-26-80

BALH800509EB AMENDED 6-4-80 re: CERTIFIED copy of Articles of Incorporation.

AMENDED 7-7-80 re: EEO data; Asset Purchase Agreement.
AMENDED 7-7-80 re: Revised Finance Plan; Ascertainment programming & stock pledge agreement.
AMENDED 7-17-80 re: Financial data.
AMENDED 7-30-80 re: Stock pledge agreement

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCKX ~~WOKF~~

Name: METROPLEX COMMUNICATIONS OF TAMPA BAY, INC.

Station Location: Clearwater, Florida

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BTCH800922GV Form 316 Press OCT 2 1980		Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from Norman Wain and Robert Weiss to Metcom Associates Atty Jason L. Shrinsky	GRANTED 10-6-80 EFF:
BTCH801024HC Form 316 PRESS NOV 24 1980		Voluntary transfer of control from Metroplex Communications of Tampa Bay, Inc. to Metcom Associates(an Ohio Limited Partnership additional partners(Nina Wain and Leona Weiss) Atty-Jason L. Shrinsky	

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BTCH-800922GV MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME: filed by Elliot B. Evers on behalf of Metroplrx Communications of Tampa Bay, Inc.

OBJECTION TO TRANSFER OF CONTROL; PETITION TO ISSUE SHOW CAUSE ORDER filed 10-10-80 by E. William Henry coundel on behalf of WWBA, INC.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 10-27-80 by Elliot B. Evers on behalf of Metroplex Comm. of Tampa Inc.

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF ORDER GRANTING TRANSFER OF CONTROL filed 11-5-80 by E. William Henry on behalf of WWBA, Inc.

AMENDED 11-10-80 re: Licensee requ est 1 week extension of time during which to reply to the "Objection to Transfer of Control and Petition to Issue Show Cause Order",.

CONSOLIDATED OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION, OBJECTION TO TRANSFER OF CONTROL AND PETITION TO ISSUE SHOW CAUSE ORDER filed 11-17-80 by Elliot B. Evers on behalf of Metroplex Communications of Tampa Bay, Inc.

"MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME"filed by Peter A. Casciato on behalf of WWBA RADIO, INC.

REPLY TO CONSOLIDATED OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION, OBJECTION TO TRANSFER OF CONTROL AND PETITION TO ISSUE SHOW CAUSE ORDER filed 12-5-80 by E. William Henry on behalf of WWBA, Inc.

SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION, OBJECTION TO TRANSFER OF CONTROL, AND PETITION TO ISSUE SHOW CAUSE ORDER filed 2-27-81 by E. William Henry & Peter A. Casciato on behalf of WWBA, Inc.

OPPOSITION TO SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION, OBJECTION TO TRANSFER OF CONTROL AND PETITION TO ISSUE SHOW CAUSE ORDER filed 3-13-81 by Jason L. Shrinsky on behalf of Metroplex Communication of Tampa Bay, Inc.

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.