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Form BC 126
June 1954 #1896

FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-8-66

Call letters W C G O (EFF: 12-26-73)
XW H Y D-FM(EFF:3-22-71)
W G B A-FM

Station location COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Name of licensee WGBA, Inc.

Transmitter location Off Wommack Rd., US Hwy. 80, 1.3mi. W. of city limits, Phenix City, Alab.
On US #80, 3.5 mi. W., Phenix City, Ala. (PH 4-22-64)

Main studio location 1327 Warren Wms. Rd., Columbus, Georgia (PH790905AH 11/7/79)
~~1013 Wynnton Rd.~~, Columbus, Ga. (PH 4-22-64)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-4342 HAAT:320'	4-22-64	107.3mcs Ch.#297	ERP:40kw TPO:8kw	Unl.	6-22-64 12-22-64
	CP for a new Class C FM broadcast with RC oper. of trans. from studio loc.				
BMPH-8072 (1)	12-18-64	Mod. of CP(BPH-4342) for extension of completion date to			5-22-65
BMPH-8244 (2)	4-28-65	Mod. of CP(BPH-4342 as mod.)for ext. of completion date to			9-22-65
BMPH-8463 (3)	7-24-65	Mod. of CP (BPH-4342, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 12-22-65.			
BMPH-8610 (4)	1-25-66	Mod. of CP (BPH-4342, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 3-1,-66.			
BMPH-8740 (5)	3-17-66	Mod. of CP(BPH-4342as mod.) for ext. of completion date to			6-15-66
BLH-3312 HAAT: 320'	9-8-66	107.3mcs CH.#297	ERP:40kw TPO:8kw	U	9-8 4-1-67
	Lic to cover CP(BPH-4342 as mod)which auth a new FM b/c station				
Ltr. dated 11-10-66 & rec'd 11-14-66 giving notification per Sect. 73.250(a)(5) Rules that a Gates FM-10G trans. is now installed & in oper. (Eff:11-8-66)					
BRH-1896	3-29-67	107.3mcs	0.25kw	U	4-1 4-1-70
BRH-1896(S)	4-1-70	Renewal			4-1-73
Comtel	1-7-71	Trans: Gates FM-10G with Wilkinson Electronics FME-10 exciter.			
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-1896(L)	6-12-73	RENEWAL			4-1-76
BPH-9228 HAAT: 530ft(H&V)	4-1-75	107.3MHz. ERP: 100kw(H); 37kw(V) U CP chg ant, TPO, ERP HAAT 4-1-76			
BRH-1896(S)	10-22-76	Renewal of license			4-1-79
BLH-7010(L)	1-21-77	Lic. (BPH-9228) for chgs.			4-1-78

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BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed .....

Call Letters ..W.C.G.O.....

Station Location ..Columbus,..Georgia

Name SEE CARD #1 .....

Transmitter Location SEE CARD #1 .....

Main studio location SEE CARD #1 .....

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December 1978

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPH-790905AH HAAT: 630' (H&V) (L)	11/7/79	107.3mhz ERP: 100kw (H&V) CP to mke chgs in ant. system, TL,SL and RC.	11/7/80
BRH-781128WA(S)	6-15-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	4-1-81
BLH-800206AA HAAT:630' (H&V) (L)	5-30-80	107.3MHz ERP:100KW (H&V) Lic. to cover (BPH-790905AH) for changes.	4-1-82
BLH-800206AA	5-30-80	SUPERSEDING AUTHORIZATION ISSUED AS OF SAME DATE TO CORRECT EXPIRATION DATE.	

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGBA-FM

Name WGBA, INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA (PO C. A. McClure Box 1537, Columbus, Ga. 31902)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-4342 R.&F.	1-31-64 2-4-64	CP for a new FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 107.3mc CH 297 ERP: 40kw HAAT: 321 ft. TPO: 8.012kw Transmitter: W. E. 506B2 (10kw) Antenna: GATES FMA-5, 5 sections Trans. Loc.: US 80, 3.5 mi. W. of Phenix City, Alabama Studio Loc.: 1415 Wynnton Rd. Columbus, Georgia Remote Control Point: Same as studio Attys-Roberts & McInnis (E. D. Johnston)	GRANTED	4-22-64
BMPH-8072 R&F	11-18-64 11-20-64	Modification of CP (BPH-4342 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 12-22-64 to 5-22-65. Atty: Roberts & McInnis	GRANTED	12-18-64

M&F WASHINGTON, D. C.

FORM BC-121 #2
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WGBA-FM

Name WGBA, INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-8244 R&F	4-27-65 4-12-65	Modification of CP (BPH-4342 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 5-22-65 to 9-22-65. Atty: Roberts & McInnis	GRANTED to	4-28-65 9-22-65
BMPH-8463 R&F	9-1-65 9-3-65	Modification of CP (BPH-4342 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 9-22-65 to 12-22-65. Atty: McInnis, Wilson, Munson & Woods	GRANTED	9-24-65
BMPH-8610 R & F	12-8-65 12-13-65	Modification of construction permit (BPH-4342 as modified, which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 12-22-65 to 2-22-66. E. D. Johnston, Atty.	GRANTED to	1-25-66 3-15-66

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

FORM BC-121 #3
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W G B A-FM

Name WGBA, INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-8740 R&F	2-15-66 2-23-66	Modification of CP(BPH-4342, as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 3-15-66 to 6-15-66. Atty: McInnis, Wislon, Munson & Woods	GRANTED to	6-15-66 3-17-66
BLH-3312 R & F	6/1/66 6/9/66	Lic. to cover CP (BPH-4342 as mod.) which auth. a new FM b/c station. Atty: McInnis, Wilson, Munson & Woods	GRANTED	9-8-66
BRH-1896 R & F	12-24-66 12-28-66	Renewal of license. Atty: McInnis, Wilson, Munson & Woods	GRANTED	3-29-67

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters WCCQ WHYD-FM XWGBA

Name WGBA, INC.
Columbus, Georgia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-1896 R & F #566086 $75. PN PRESS	12-30-69 12-30-69 12-30-69 12-30-69	Renewal of license Atty: E. D. Johnston(McInnis,Wilson,Munson& Woods)	GRANTED	4-1-70
BRH-1896 R & F PN Recd. PRESS FEB 22 1973	12-26-72 1-2-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	6-12-73
BPH-9228 R & F #359500 $200 C ode 013 Press NOV P. N. Rec'd	10-24-74 10-30-74 10-31-74 18 1974	CP to install new ant. (Jampro JSCP-14, 14 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (incr. hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 100KW(H) 36.5KW(V) and HAAT: 527'(H&V). Atty: Jason L. Shrinsky(Stambler & Shrinsky)	GRANTED GR FEE REQ. $2,700.00 Pd 014 W429000	4-1-75 5-21-75

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

107.3 mgc

Call Letters W C G Q

Name WGBA, INC.
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-1896 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-21-75 12-1-75 " FEB 6 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED Cond'l re:EEO	10-22-76
BLH-7010 R & F W542005-$100. PTA PRESS	3-11-76 3-15-76 3-17-76-001 3-23-76 APR 15 1976	Lic.(BPH-9228)-Changes. -Atty: Stanbler & Shrinsky	GRANTED	1-21-77
BRH 781128 WA PRESS	FEB 27 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	6-15-79

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

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

107.3MHz.

Call Letters: W C G Q

Name: WGBA, INC.

Station Location: COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPH790905AH PRESS (O) OCT 11 1979 CORRECTIONTO PRESS NOV 2 1979		CP to make chgs. in Ant. Sys.; chg. TL to: Off Wommack Rd., U.S. Hwy. 80, 1.3 mi. W. of City Limits, Phenix City, Alabama; chg. SL & RC to: 1327 Warren Wms. Rd., Columbus, Georgia; chg. type Trans.; chg. type Ant. (ELECTRONIC RESEARCH G5CPS-8AC-3, 8 sects. H&V); incre. ERP: 100kw (H&V); incre. HAAT: 628' (H&V) & chg. TPO. 32° 27' 58.5" 85° 03' 23" Atty. Clifford J. Bond, III MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES.	GRANTED 11/7/79

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March 1979

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WCGQ

Name: WGBA, INC.

Station Location: COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLH-800206AA PTA PRESS	APR 0 3 1980	License to cover (BPH-790905AH) for changes. Atty: Clifford J. Bond	GRANTED 5-30-80

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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.