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B-S-1314

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-14-46

Call letters W N A R

LOCATION: Norristown, Pa.

Name of licensee
WNAR, INC. (AL 11-19-68 EFF. 12-2-68)
x NORRISTOWN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. (AL 9-21-48; EFF: 8-1-48
x RAHALL BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

Transmitter location
Old Arch Rd., Norristown, Pa. (redescription)
x Old Arch Road, East Norriton Township, Norristown, Penn. (Redes., Ltr. 6-16-56
x Near Intersec. of Old Arch Road and New Hope St.,
Northeast of Norristown, Penna. (MP 8-14-46) (Lic. 11-14-46)

Main studio location
Same as TL
x Old Arch Road, East Norriton Township, Norristown, Penn. (Ltr. 6-16-56)
x 115 West Main St., Norristown, Penna. (MP 8-14-46) (Lic. 11-14-46)

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
B2-P-4256	3-13-46	1110	500w	Daytime	
Letter 5-23-46 C.P. for new Station granted subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna. (Conditional Clause)					
B2-P-4256 B2-MP-1922	8-14-46	1110	500w	Daytime	10-14 4-14-47
Mod.C.P.(4256) for change in type of T, approval of antenna and approval of T & S sites (Conditional Clause)					
B2-L-2045 B2-Z-1878	11-14-46	1110	500w	D	11-14 5-1-48
Lic. to cover CP (4256) as modified for a new station and determine operating power by direct measurement. Cond'l clause					
BS-1314	3-25-47	1110	500w	Daytime	3-25 5-1-48
Mod. Lic. to delete waiver 3.60 from cond'l. clause (Conditional Clause)					
BS-1314	3-18-48	STA to operate additional time (with power reduced to 250 watts) from sign-off time to conclusion of basketball tournament March 19, 31 and April 3, 1948, in order to broadcast said games, only.			
BS-1314	3-26-48	STA to operate additional time, with power reduced to 250 watts, from sign-off time to conclusion of basketball tournament game, 3-30-48 (in lieu of 3-31-48, auth. for which was granted 3-18-48) in order to broadcast said game, only.			
BR-1314	4-14-48	1110	500w (Cond'l clause)	D	5-1 5-1-51
BAL-744 EFF: 8-1-48	7-21-48	Vol. assignment of license from Rahall Broadcasting Company, Inc. to Norristown Broadcasting Company, Inc.			
BZ-3228 Author.	11-8-50	1110	500w	D	11-8 5-1-51
determine operating power by direct method (Cond)					
BR-1314	4-12-51	1110kc Renewal of license	500w	D	5-1-51 to 5-1-54.
BR-1314	4-28-54	Renewal of license			5-1 8-1-54
BR-1314	7-28-54	Renewal of license			8-1 8-1-57

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June 1954 #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ..... WNAR

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-11318	6-6-57	1110	500w	Day	8-6 2-6-58
	CP to install new transmitter (RCA BTA-1M)				
BR-1314	7-11-57	1110	500w	Day	8-1 8-1-60
BL-6643 (1)	7-16-57	XXXX License to cover CP (BP-11318) which auth. installation of new transmitter.			
BR-1314	7-20-60	1110	500w	Day	8-1 8-1-63
	7-24-63	COMMISSION DEFERRED ACTION ON RENEWAL PENDING FURTHER CONSIDERATION.			
BR-1314	11-13-64	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-66
BR-1314	7-29-66	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-69
BAL-6407 EFF.	11-19-68 12-2-68	Vol. AL			
BR-1314 (L) EBSA	7-24-69 5-25-72	Renewal & NDEA			8-1-72
BR-1314(s)	8-9-72	Renewal of license			8-1-75
BP-19,655	5-7-74	1110khz	500w	Alt M	5-7-75
	CP to install a new Alt. M. Trans				
BZ-8720(1)	3-11-75	Direct Measurement			
BR-1314 BL-13,972(L)	1-15-76	RENEWAL of License and Modification to cover BP-19,655 for Alternate transmitter			8-1-78
BP-12902 Condl	6-12-78	1110khz 2.5kw(500wCH) DA-D (non-DA CH) CP inc.power,install DA, chg. trans & ant.sys.			
BP790913AJ (1)	11/7/79	CP to replace expires permit.			5/6/80
BR810401UH (S)	4-24-81	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-84

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Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNAR x New

Name RAHALL BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
(P.O. 216 Main St., Beckley, W. Va.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B2-P-4256 Rec'd Filed	10-5-45 10-9-45 10-9-45	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1110 kc Power: 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. & Studio Locations: To be determined, Norristown, Pa. ~~(Filed by John C. Hayes, Atty.~~; Everett L. Dillard, Engr.) Stephen Tuhy, Jr. Atty(per ltr. 10-15-46)	GRANTED subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna & subject to permittee accepting condition theat permitte accept such interference as may be caused by gran of B2-P-4170 - appli. for new station at Bethlehem, Pa. Letter	3-13-46
Letter dated 6-6-46 from Atty. Hayes re acceptance of conditions of grant of 3-13-46			ISSUED WITH MP-1922	

RCA BTA-1-L Transmitter

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Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W N A P

Name √PAHALL BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B2-MP-1922 Rec'd Filed	5-15-46 5-16-46 5-16-46	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-4256, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Gates BC-1-E) for approval of antenna and approval of transmitter and studio locations at Near intersection of Old Arch Road and New Hope Street, North East of Norristown, Pennsylvania and 115 West Main Street, Norristown, Pennsylvania, respectively. (Everett L. Dillard, Engr.)	GRANTED Conditional re permittee accepting such interference as may be caused by operation of station proposed at Bethelhem, Penna. (B2-P-4170)	8-14-46

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call Letters WNAR

Name RAHALL BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B2-L-2045 Rec'd Filed	8-15-46 8-15-46 8-15-46	License to cover C.P. (B2-P-4256, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and	GRANTED (Cond'l re waiver 3.55(b) & 3.60)	11-14-46
B2-Z-1871 Rec'd Filed	8-15-46 8-15-46 8-15-46	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (William E. Benns, Jr., Engr.)		
BR-1314 Rec'd	2-11-48 2-18-48	Renewal of license Filed by Stephen Tuhy, Jr. atty.	Granted	4-14-48

Form 94 #4

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Norristown Broadcasting Company, Inc. (AL 7-21-48; EFF: 8-1-48)

Call Letters W N A R

Name x RAHALL BROADCASTING COMPANY, Inc.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-744 Rec'd Filed	6-12-48 6-14-48 6-14-48	Voluntary Assignment of License from Rahall Broadcasting Company, Inc. to Norristown Broadcasting Company, Inc. Stephen Tuhy, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	7-21-48 8-1-48
BML-1354 Rec'd Filed	4-25-49 5-4-49 5-23-49	Mod. of License to change hours of operation from daytime to limited time. (Filed by Stephen Tuhy, Jr., Atty.)	DISMISSED Per Section 3.38 Rules.	12-5-61
BZ-3228 Rec'd Filed	10-23-50 10-24-50 10-24-50	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. Stephen Tuhy, Jr., Atty. Virginia E. Erwin, Engr.	GRANTED	11-8-50

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W N A R

Name NORRISTOWN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1314 Rec'd	2-23-51 3-9-51	Renewal of License. (Stephen Tuhy, Atty.)	GRANTED	4-12-51
BR-1314 Rec'd Filed	1-28-54 2-1-54 2-1-54	Renewal of License Filed by Stephen Tuhy, Atty.	Granted	4-28-54
BR-1314 Rec'd Filed	6-7-54 6-9-54 6-9-54	Renewal of License, (Informal Request) Filed by Stephen Tuhy, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	7-28-54
BR-1314 Recd Filed	5-1-57 5-3-57 5-3-57	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-11-57

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNAR

Name NORRISTOWN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-11,318 Rec'd Filed	5-27-57 5-29-57 5-29-57	Construction Permit to install a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1M).	GRANTED	6-6-57
~~xxxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxx~~ ~~xxxx~~	~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxxx~~			
BL-6643 Rec'd Filed	5-27-57 5-29-57 5-29-57	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-11,318 which authorized installation of a new transmitter (RCA BTA-1M).	GRANTED	7-16-57

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W.N.A.R.

Name X NORRISTOWN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-12,902 Rec'd Filed	3-10-59 3-10-59 3-10-59	Construction permit to increase power from 500w to ~~50kw~~, install directional antenna system (DA-D), install new transmitter ~~(Gates-BC-50B)~~, ~~change transmitter location from Near intersection of Old Arch Road and New Hope St., N.E., Norristown, Pennsylvania to Intersection of Hannah Ave. and Township Line Road, Norristown, Pennsylvania, and~~ and make changes in ground system .	DOCKET 14952 GRANTED Condl.	6-12-78
		Atty.- ~~Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & H.~~		
AMENDMENT R & F	5-26-60 6-8-60	Engr.- Page, Creutz, Steel & Waldschmitt AMENDED to make changes in DA system		
AMENDMENT R & F	11-1-62 11-7-62	Atty. - G.C. Cooper(Fisher, Wayland etc) AMENDED to make changes in DA pattern		

SEE CARD #3 FOR AMENDMENT also 9 + over

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

AMENDED 1-30-69 revised III and IV-A

AMEND Recd 2-23-78 Filed 4-10-78 reduce power to 2.5kw (500wCH) DA (non-DA for CH)

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WNAR

Name NORRISTOWN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Norristown, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1314 Rec'd Filed	5-3-60 5-9-60 5-9-60	Renewal of License. Aloysius B. McCabe, Atty.	GRANTED	7-20-60
BR-1314 R & F	4-22-63 5-2-63	Renewal of License Aloysius B. McCabe, Atty.	GRANTED	11-13-64
BR-1314 R & F	4-30-66 5-2-66	Renewal of license Atty. Aloysius B. McCabe	GRANTED	7-29-66
AMENDMENT BP-12,902 Received Filed(order)	6-2-66 6-3-66 9-9-66	AMENDED to change power to ~~5kw;-1kw~~(CH); change type trans (Gates-BC-5H); delete change in antenna-transmitter location and change antenna-system(change heights and reduce number of towers).	GRANTED Condl	6-12-78
AMENDED R&F	12-26-69 1-8-70	Change in stockholders, stockholdings and officers & directors.		

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

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1110kc

Call Letters WNAR

Name WNAR, INC.
x NORRISTOWN BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.
Norristown, Penna. 19404

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BAL-6407 R & F FEE PD:$75 -#40322 JUL 1 2 1968 (SEE OVER FOR AMENDMENTS)	6-28-68 7-1-68 Pub. notice filed 7-15-68	Voluntary assignment of license to WNAR INC. Atty for assignor - A.B. McCabe for assignee - Smith & Pepper	GRANTED EFF.	11-19-68 12-2-68
BR-1314 R & F #508463 $75 PRESS MAY 1 1969	4-15-69 4-21-69 4-21-69	Renewal of license Atty-Smith, Pepper, Shack & L'Heureux (Arthur V. Weinberg)	GRANTED	7-24-69
AMENDMENT BP-12,902 R&F, PRESS: AUG 1 3 1969	12-22-68 12-26-68	Amended to change name of applicant to WNAR, INC.	GRANTED Condl	6-12-78

Amended 12-29-70 re changes in stockholdings.
Amended 3-15-71 re revised ownership report.
Amended 5-17-71 re community survey.
Amended 5-25-71 re community survey.
Amended 3-31-72 re to reflect an option purchase.

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

RE: BAL-6407 - AMENDED 7-15-68 re Exh.D (B/C int)
AMENDED 8-27-68 (assignee) re prog., Table I -officer;
& statement re pending CP(BP-12902)-not contingent on gra
AMENDED 8-30-68 - fin. data (assignee)
AMENDED 10-16-68 - Change an Officer & Director
Re: BR-1314 dtd 4-15-69- Atty. called-323 filed simul-
taneously und. another cover ltr.

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1110kc

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Call Letters WNAR

Name WNAR, INC.
Norristown, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1314 R & F P.N. PRESS MAY 19 1972	4-20-72 5-3-72 5-3-72	Renewal of License Atty: Martin R. Leader AMENDED 7-17-72 re: revised balance sheet; programming	GRANTED	8-9-72
BP- 19,655 Rec'd Filed $50-287141 AC-056 MAY 9 1974	3-1-74 3-4-74 3-4-74 3-4-74	Construction permit to install a new Alternate Main Transmitter RCA BTA-1M.	GRANTED	5-7-74
BZ-8770 R & F DM PRESS MAR 5 1975	12-29-74 12-30-74 1-17-75	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	3-11-75

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

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September 1969
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1110 kc

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W N A R

Name WNAR, INC.
NORRISTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-1314 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-15-75 3-31-75 " APR 15 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 8-25-75 re: EEO	GRANTED issued with BL-13,972	1-15-76
BL-13,972 R & F $50 #424039 PTA PRESS JUN 30	4-24-75 5-7-75 5-8-75 6-3-75 1975	Lic. to cover BP-19,655 for New Alternate Transmitter, RCA BTA-1M Atty: Martin R. Leader(Fisher, Wayland, etc.)	GRANTED issued with RENEWAL	1-15-76
BR-1314 R & F PRESS	3-20-78 4-3-78 APR 17 1978	Renewal of License(Main & Alt. Main) Atty.: Martin R. Leader (BR810401UH) SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 4-1-81 as an amendment to pending renewal application. (Aty. Ann K. Ford) PRESS: MAY 5 1981	GRANTED	4-24-81

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

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING
1110KHz.

Call Letters: W N A R

Name: WNAR, INC.

Station Location: NORRISTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BP790913AJ PRESS (0)	OCT 19 1979	Construction Permit to Replace Expired Permit (BP-12,902). Atty. Martin R. Leader (Fisher,Wayland,Southmayd & Cooper)	GRANTED 11/7/79
~~Returned--~~ Resubmitted	~~-3-31-81~~ 4-8-81		
BZ-810406AC R & F DM PRESS APR 22 1981	4-6-81 4-15-81	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: ---	ISSUED

Form BC-121
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. 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.