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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 3-14-49

Call letters W P J B - FM (6-4-51)
LOCATION: PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Name of licensee PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

Transmister location Ludlow Street, Johnston, (Providence County) Rhode Island

10 Dorrance Street, Providence, Rhode Island (BSH- 7-9-74)
x 75 Fountain Street (Letter 8-18-50)
X Temporary 53 Mathewson Street, Providence, R. I.
X

ZIP 02902
Main studio location 75 Fountain St., Providence, Rhode Island

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Mcs Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From To
B1-PH-316	10-15-47 Subj. filing mod.	105.1 mcs. C. P.	20kw	500' ant. ht.	
BPH-316 BMPH-1182 C. P.	2-5-48 issued	105.1 mc Ch#286	20 kw Terr:	U 500'	By 5-8-48 to 11-8-48
Telegram	7-8-48	Retel 7, 8, 1948 in CP BMPH-1182 service. Notify has commenced.	Auth. operate	granted period ending Nov. using facilities specifi for purpose FM program Comm. when program serv.	
BLH-335	3-14-49	License	to cover C.P. (BPH-316 as mod)		3-14-49 to 12-1-50
BRH-282	11-22-50	Renewal of license .			12-1-50 to 12-1-52.
BRH-282	12-11-50	Superseding Renewal of License. Correct Studio loc.			12-1-50 to 12-1-52.
Telegram	2-18-52	STA to waive Sec. 3.261 rules permit opera. from 5:00 PM to 12:00 Midnight Sunday through Saturday period ending no event later than March 18, 1952.			
Letter	3-18-52	EXT STA wire of 2-18-52	waive Sec. 3.261 period ending 4-18-52	Rules accord.	
Letter	4-18-52	EXT STA wire of 2-18-52	waive Sec. 3.261 period ending 5-18-52	Rules accord.	
COMM. ORDER 5-1-52 SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY- Waived Sec. 3.265 of Rules and Granted Auth. to operate transmitte by REMOTE CONTROL for period ending 11-3-52 Conditions					
LETTER	6-16-52 STA to waive section 3.261 of rules to permit operation 5:00pm to Midnight daily-period to 7-18-52				
COMM. ACTION 12-3-52 Auth ext. op. remote control from AM Ex. period ending 6-3-53					
BRH-282	11-13-52	Renewal of license to			4-1-54
BRCH-21	5-6-53	301-A oper. remote control			
BRH-282	3-17-54	Renewal of license to Form 715 notice sent			4-1-57

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June 1954
Card 2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters WPJB-FM

Name of licensee PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
WIRK	9-2-54	RETEL ATTY 1. Auth gr. remain silent Period of 30 days			
BRCH-112	10-8-54	Operate	remote	control	
BRH-282	2-13-57	Renewal of license			to 4-1-60 4
BTC-2436	4-17-57	Vol. TC from John C.A.Watkins, et al TO G.PIERCE METCALF, HENRY S. CHAFEE, HARRY B. FREEMAN, A LIVINGSTON KELLEY, KIRK SMITH, JOHN C.A.WATKINS, AND HENRY A.NILNERDING, VOTING TRUSTEES			
BSCA-143	3-11-59	Subsidiary Communications on Multiplex Basis to			Authorization- 4-1-60.
BSCA-143	8-6-59	Mod. SCA to delete condition . 32.5kc			4-1-60.
BSCA-71	9-10-59	Mod. SCA to change frequency to 67 kcs.			
BRH-282	3-9-60	Renewal of license			4-1 4-1-63
BRSCA-143	3-9-60	Subsidiary Communications on Multiplex Basis to			Authorization- 4-1-63
BRSCA-90	7-27-60	Mod. of SCA to add another sub-carrier frequency(41 and 67kcs.)			
BRSCA-148	3-11-63	Subsidiary Communications on Multiplex Basis to			Authorization 4-1-66
BRH-282	3-11-63	Renewal of license			4-1 4-1-66
BSCA-143	7-24-63 (Memo)	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Auth. on approx. 67 kc to			4-1-66.
BRCH-606 (1)	5-10-65	Mod. lic. to chg. Remote Control to 75 Fountain Street, Providence, Rhode Island (Studio Location)			
BRH-282	3-21-66	105.1mcs	ERP:20kw	U	4-1 4-1-69
BRSCA-143		RENEWAL OF SCA			4-1 4-1-69
BRCH-741 (1)	8-16-66	Mod. of license to ~~change~~ add remote control point ~~to~~ Roger Williams Ave., East Providence, Rhode Island (WEAN Transmitter site) SECOND REMOTE CONTROL POINT			

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June 1954 #3

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W P J B-FM

Station location

Name of licensee PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BPH-6657 HAAT 500(88V)	6-11-69	105.1mc ch#286	TPO:17.5 ERP:50(88V) CP install new trans & new ant make chgs in ant system(incr. hght) chg TPO, ERP, and HAAT		6-11 2-11-70
BRH-282(L)	6-24-69	Renewal of HBSCA			4-1-72
BRSCA-143	6-24-69	Renewal SCA			4-1-72
BMPH-10,922 (1)	1-26-70	MP(BPH-6657) ext. time to 3-15-70			
Comtel	2-26-70	Temp. auth. operate thru			3-22-70
BMPH-10,962 (2)	3-17-70	MP(BPH-6657 as mod) ext time			6-1-70
BLH-4739(L)	6-23-70	Lic. (BPH-6657, as mod.)			4-1-72
BLH-4739(L)	6-23-70	SUPERSEDING AUTHORIZATION TO CORRECT CITY FOR TRANSMITTER LOCATION			
BRH-282	3-30-72	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE			4-1-75
BRSCA-143	3-30-72	(S) RENEWAL OF SCA			4-1-75
EBSA	5-22-72				
BSH-282 (1)	7-9-74	ML to change SL & 1st RC			
BRH-282(L)	3-31-75	Renewal of License and SCA			4-1-78
BRSCA-143	3-31-75				
BRH-282(S) BRSCA-143	3-21-78	Renewal of Main & SCA			4-1-81

Form 94

HIGH FREQUENCY (FM)

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ~~WPJB~~ WPJB-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

P.O. 75 Fountain St., Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
B1-PH-316	9-19-44	Construction permit for new high frequency FM	GRANTED	10-15-47
Recd.	9-21-44	Broadcast station	ERP 20kw	Antenna
Filed	9-21-44	Frequency: ~~46,900 Kcs.~~, Coverage: ~~6,767 Sq.Mi.~~ Studio: 75 Fountain St., Providence, R. I. Transmitter: Smithfield Rd., North Providence, Rhode Island ~~(G.E. GF-110-B Max. 10kw)~~ ~~Frank D. Scott, Att'y.~~ Amendment re Comm.letter of 9-7-45 recd. 10-1-45. Current balance sheet submitted. (Metropolitan)	Height above average terr: 500'. Chan. 286, 105.1 mcs. Subj. filing mod. C. P.	C.P. issued (See Card 2
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	5-23-46 5-24-46 5-31-46	AMENDED to specify population as 1,876,963; change frequency from 46,900 kc. to Ch.#258, 99.5 mcs.; coverage from 6,767 sq.mi. to 7,902 sq.mi.; type of transmitter from GE GF-110-B max. 10kw. to GE BT-4A max. 10kw.; make changes in antenna system		

Jansky & Bailey, Engineers

Letter 6-8-48: Loucks, Zahn, Young, & Jansky represents applicant.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

CARD #2

Call Letters WJAR-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-1182 Rec'd Filed	12-2-47 12-3-47 12-3-47	Mod. of C. P. (BI-PH-316 which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to specify transmitter site as 3 miles SW of center of Providence, Rhode Island, type of transmitter as GE BT-~~4A~~ Max. 10 kw; specify antenna system. Filed by Philip G. Loucks, Attorney	GRANTED C.P. issued Ex. 11-8-48	2-5-48
AMENDED Recd. Filed	12-26-47 12-30-47 12-30-47	Amended to change type of transmitter from GE BT-4A Max. 10 kw. to GE BT-4B Max. 10 kw.		
BLH-335 Recd Filed	10-30-48 11-4-48 11-4-48	License to cover C.P. (BPH-316 as modified - which authorized a new FM broadcast station). Filed by Joseph F. Zias, Att'y	GRANTED	3-14-49 to 12-1-50
BRH-282 Recd & Filed	9-22-50 9-28-50	Renewal of license. Filed by Verne Young, Atty.	GRANTED	11-22-50

CARD 3

FORM A-170
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPJB-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-282 Recd. & Filed	9-26-52 9-27-52	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	11-13-52
BRCH-21 Recd & Filed 4-28-53	4-27-53	301-A; application for remote control operation Filed by Verne R. Young, Atty	GRANTED	5-6-53
BRH-282 Recd. & Filed	12-30-53 1- 4-54	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-17-54
BRCH-112 Recd. & Filed	10-7-54 10-8-54	Change Remote control point Move from WPJB(AM) Transmitter site located in Lincoln, Rhode Island to Rogers Williams Avenue, WEAN Transmitter, East Providence, Rhode Island. Joseph Zias, atty	GRANTED 10-8-54	
BRH-282 Recd & filed 12-26-56	12-17-56	Renewal of license Joseph F. Zias, atty	323 on file GRANTED	3-13-57

CARD A
FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WJR-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-2436 Rec'd & Filed	2-20-57 2-21-57	Vol. TC of Providence Journal Company, Licensee Corporation, from all stockholders to G. Pierce Metcalf, Henry S. Chafee, Henry B. Freeman, Alp Livingston Kelley, Kirk Smith, John C.A. Watkins & Henry A. Wilmerding, Voting Trustees. Philip G. Loucks, atty	GRANTED EFF:	4-17-57 5-9-57
BSCA-143 Rec'd Filed	10-16-58 10-20-58 10-20-58	Request to establish a new Subsidiary Communications Service, Multiplex basis, to be operated on Sub-carrier frequency of 32.5kc. Philip G. Loucks, Atty.	GRANTED	3-11-59
BMSCA-71 R&F	8-21-59 8-24-59	Mod. of SCA(BSCA-143) to chg. sub-carrier freq. from 32.5kc to 67kc. Philip Loucks, Atty	GRANTED	9-10-59

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AUG 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPJB-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-282 Rec'd Filed	12-15-59 1-4-60 1-4-60	Renewal of license. Joseph F. Zias, Atty.	GRANTED	3-9-60
BRSCA-143 Rec'd Filed	12-15-59 1-4-60 1-4-60	Renewal of SCA. Joseph F. Zias, Atty.	GRANTED	3-9-60
BMSCA-90 R & F	7-5-60 7-6-60	Modification of SCA (BSCA-143) to operate on 41kc in addition to previously authorized 67kcs. Atty's: Loucks, ~~Zias &~~ Jansky	GRANTED	7-27-60
BRH-282 R. & F. BRSCA-143 R. & F.	12-10-62 12-12-62 12-10-62 12-12-62	Renewal of license (Main & SCA) Atty- Loucks & Jansky	GRANTED	3-11-63

FORM BC-121 #6 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING
AUG. 1955

Call Letters WPJB-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY
Providence, Rhode Island

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRCH-606 Rec'd Filed	5-3-65 5-5-65 5-5-65	Modification of license to change ~~studio location and~~ remote control point to 75 Fountain Street, Providence, Rhode Island.	GRANTED	5-10-65
BRH-282 R & F	12-15-65 12-15-65	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-21-66
BRSCA-143 R & F	12-15-65 12-15-65	Renewal of SCA Atty- Dow, Lohnes & Albertson (Thomas H. Wall)	GRANTED	3-21-66
BRCH-741 R & F	8-2-66 8-5-66	Modification of license to change remote control point to Roger Williams Ave., East Providence, Rhode Island (WEAN Transmitter site). (SECOND REMOTE CONTROL POINT) Atty.: Thomas H. Wall	GRANTED	8-16-66

FORM BC-181 #7
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W P J R-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY
Providence, R. I.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-282	12-20-68	Renewal of license---(Main)	GRANTED	6-24-69
BRSCA-143	12-20-68	" " " ---(S.C.A.)		
R & F	12-30-68	AMENDED 1-30-69 re: Engineering		
#480224 $105.	12-30-68	3-7-69 Response to Petition filed 1-30-69		
W/WEAN-AM				
PRESS JAN 21 1969		Atty. Alan Campbell		
BPH-6657	3-12-69	CP install new trans(RCA-BTF-20E1); new ant	GRANTED	6-11-69
R & F	3-14-69	(RCA-BFC-6, 6 sects); make chg. in ant. system		
#498592 $30	3-14-69	(incr. hght); chg. TPO 17.58kw; ERP: 50kw;		
MAR 24 1969		operate with vert. ERP 50kw; and chg. HAAT to		
		503.4 ft.		
		Atty - Alan C. Campbell(Dow, Lohnes etc.)		
		Engr.: William V. Weakley		

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

PETITION TO DENY filed 1-28-69 by John E. Donofrio on behalf of Donofrio.

Form BC-121
September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPJB-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-10,922 R & F #566986 $30 PRESS: JAN 16 1970	12-31-69 1-2-70 1-2-70	MP(BPH-6657) ext. time to 3-1-70(FOR CHGS.) Atty - Alan C. Campbell(Dow, Lohnes etc.)	GRANTED	1-26-70
BMPH-10,962 R & F #577502$30 PRESS: FEB 19 1970	2-9-70 2-12-70 2-12-70	MP(BPH-6657) ext. time to 6-1-70(FOR CHGS.) /as mod. Atty: Thomas H. Wall(Dow, Lohnes etc.)	GRANTED	3-17-70
BLH-4739 Rec'd #585147 $30. Filed PTA PRESS	3-10-70 3-12-70 3-16-70 3-16-70 3-25-70 JUN 19 1970	Lic.(BPH-6657, as mod.) for changes. Atty: Alan C. Campbell (Dow, Lohnes & Albertson)	GRANTED	6-23-70

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

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September 1959

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WPJB-FM

Name PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRH-282 BRSCA-143 R & F PN Recd. PRESS DEC 29 1971	12-17-71 " 12-21-71 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA Alan Campbell,Atty. AMENDED 3-6-72 re: programming	GRANTED	3-30-72
BRH-282 BRSCA-143 R & F PN PRESS	11-15-74 11-15-74 12-2-74 12-2-74	Renewal of license Renewal of SCA Atty- Alan Campbell AMENDED 1-28-75 re: ascert. of comm. needs AMENDED 3-31-75 re: EEO	GRANTED	3-31-75
BRH-282 BRSCA-143 R & F PN PRESS	11-18-77 12-1-77 12-1-77 DEC 12 1977	Renewal of Main & SCA Atty-Alan C. Campbell	GRANTED	3-21-78

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

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WPJB-FM

Name: PROVIDENCE JOURNAL COMPANY

Station Location: PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRH-801201YX BRSCA-801201YX PRESS		RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA Atty. Alan C. Campbell	Gr 5-22-81

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.

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.