#### ANNUAL EEO PUBLIC FILE REPORT

For the period beginning February 1, 2018, and ending January 31, 2019

## This Report is Not Required If Unit Has Fewer Than Five Full-Time Employees

## This Report consists of:

Part 1 Station Information
Part 2 Recruitment Sources/Interviewees for each full-time vacancy
Part 3 Recruitment Initiatives

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February 1, 2019

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<sup>\*</sup>This Report, which usually covers the prior 12-month period, is to be placed in each station's public file and web site (if applicable) every year on the anniversary of the due date of the station's renewal application.

Part 1

This report covers the following employment unit:

#### CALL SIGN AM/FM FACILITY ID# COMMUNITY OF LICENSE STATE LMA MS **WBBN FM** 71207 Taylorsville No WXRR FM 29549 Hattiesburg MS No WKZW Sandersville **FM** 14021 MS No Richton MS 70409 No **WXHB** FM **W249AO** 31760 Hattiesburg MSNo FM

Attached is information concerning the recruitment efforts undertaken by the employment unit to fill the full-time vacancies during the period covered by this Report.

A total of 2 full-time job vacancies were filled by the employment unit. A total of 4 persons were interviewed for all full-time vacancies.

# PART 2 FULL TIME VACANCY # 1

Job Title: Air Personality/DJ Date Filled: September 24, 2018

**Total Number of Interviewees: 2** 

<u>Recruitment Sources:\*</u> The following recruitment sources were utilized to fill this vacancy:

Name of Source	Address	Contact Person	Telephone Number	Number of Interviewees Referred
Help Wanted Ad WBBN (FM WXRR(FM) WKZW(FM) WXHB(FM)	P.O. Box 6408 Laurel, MS 39441	Larry Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	0
*All Access "allaccess.com"	28959 Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 210-5 Malibu, CA 90265	Joel Denver	(310) 457-6616	1
(X) Broadcast Center	2360 Hampton Ave, St. Louis, MO 63139	John Caroll	(314) 647-8181	0
Thepinebelt.com Area Online Directory	P.O. Box 6408 Laurel, MS 39441	Larry Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	0
MAB on Campus USM Dept Mass Comm	118 College Dr. Hattiesburg, MS	Dr. Mary Lou Sheffer	(601) 266-4916	0
WIN Job Center State Emp. Svc.	2139 HWY 15 N Laurel,MS39440	Phil Hosey	(601) 399-4001	0
Pine Belt Job Fair	1 Convention Center Plaza, Hattiesburg, MS	Adam Todd	(601) 321-6154	0
I-59 Job Fair	South Central Place, Laurel MS	Adam Todd	(601) 321-6154	0
Station Websites: WBBN, WXRR, WKZW, WXHB	4580 Highway 15N, Laurel, MS	Debbie Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	1

<sup>\*</sup> A source with an (\*) was the source that referred the hiree. A source with an (x) was a source that requested to be contacted as job openings occur.

## **FULL TIME VACANCY #2**

Job Title: Account Executive
Date Filled: December 3, 2018
Total Number of Interviewees: 2

## **Recruitment Sources:\***

## The following recruitment sources were utilized to fill this vacancy:

Name of Source	Address	Contact Person	Telephone Number	Number of Interviewees Referred
Help Wanted Ad WBBN (FM) WXRR (FM) WXHB (FM) WKZW(FM)	P.O. Box 6408 Laurel, MS 39441	Larry Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	0
*Station Web Sites: WBBN,WXRR, WKZW, WXHB	P.O. Box 6408 Laurel, Ms 39441	Debbie Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	2
www.thepinebelt. com: Area Online Directory	P.O. Box 6408 Laurel, MS 39441	Larry or Debbie Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	0
Cold Call/Friend/Word of Mouth/ Inquiry from Present or Former Employee	P.O. Box 6408 Laurel, MS 39441	Larry or Debbie Blakeney	(601) 649-0095	0
Pine Belt Job Fair Hattiesburg, MS	1 Convention Ctr Plz, Hattiesburg, MS 39401	Adam Todd	(601) 321-6154	0
MAB on Campus USM Dept of Mass Comm.	118 College Dr. Hattiesburg, MS	Dr. Mary Lou Sheffer	(601) 266-6746	0
I-59 Job Fair Laurel, MS	South Central Place, Laurel, MS	Adam Todd	(601) 321-6154	0

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### SUPPLEMENTAL RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES

#### **ACTIVITY #1**

Activity:

MAB on Campus

Date:

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Preparer:

Larry Blakeney

President/CEO

Blakeney Communications, Inc.

Host/Sponsor of Activity:

Mississippi Association of Broadcasters

University of Southern Mississippi School of

Mass Communication & Journalism

**Participating Station** 

Personnel:

Larry Blakeney, President/CEO Tom Colt, Operations Manager

Description of activity and scope of station participation:

Larry Blakeney (President/CEO) and Tom Colt (Operations Manager) of Blakeney Communications participated, along with representatives of other broadcast members of the Mississippi Association of Broadcasters in "MAB on Campus" in the Thad Cochran Conference Center at the University of Southern Mississippi. The program began at 10:00 AM and concluded at 2:00 PM and included a portfolio/resume review with sophomores, juniors and seniors planning careers in radio or television broadcasting.

The event also allowed MAB station representatives to have lunch with select students and faculty of the Mass Communication and Journalism Department of the University of Southern Mississippi followed by an open panel discussion that featured brief panel presentations followed by questions from students which were answered by panel members.

Minority and female students were very well represented among the students who participated and Blakeney representatives as well as other Mississippi Association of Broadcasters station representatives interacted with many students including many minority and female students interested in pursuing careers in broadcasting.

## SUPPLEMENTAL RECRUITMENT INITIATIVES

#### **ACTIVITY 2**

Activity: I-59 JOB FAIR

Date: June 12, 2018

Preparer: Larry Blakeney
President/CEO

Blakeney Communications, Inc.

Host/Sponsor of Activity: Blakeney Communications, Inc. was a Media Sponsor

of and hosted a booth at the 2018 I-59 Job Fair

**Participating Station** 

Personnel: Larry Blakeney, President

Debbie Blakeney, General Manager

Description of Activity & scope of station participation:

Blakeney Communications, Inc., was a co-sponsor and hosted a booth at the I-59 Job Fair on Thursday, June 12, 2019, from 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. at South Central Place located at 2260 Highway 15 North in Laurel, Mississippi. This was a large regional job fair put on by the Governors Job Fair Network and the WIN Job Center of Mississippi and was open to the public free of charge.

Blakeney Communications aired a total of 375 radio spots on WBBN, WXRR, WKZW, WXHB and WXHB-HD2 promoting this job fair and the Governor's Job Fair Network, and the Win Job Center extensively promoted the event throughout the region, inviting the public to meet with employers to discuss job opportunities in many fields.

Blakeney Communications operated a booth and made available job applications, business cards with contact information and flyers about careers in broadcasting. Larry Blakeney, President of radio stations WBBN, WXRR, WKZW, WXHB and WXRR-HD2 greeted job seekers and attendees and answered questions about job opportunities with Blakeney Communications, Inc., and career opportunities in the broadcasting field. There were hundreds of attendees, and minorities and women were very well represented among those who came by the Blakeney Communications booth.

## SUPPLEMENTAL RECRUITMENT INITIATIVES

#### **ACTIVITY #3**

Activity: PINE BELT JOB FAIR

Date: October 30, 2018

Preparer: Larry Blakeney President/CEO

Blakeney Communications, Inc.

Host/Sponsor of Activity: Blakeney Communications, Inc. was a co-sponsor

of and hosted a booth at the 2018 Pine Belt Job Fair

**Participating Station** 

Personnel: Larry Blakeney, President

Debbie Blakeney, General Manager

Description of Activity & scope of station participation:

Blakeney Communications, Inc. was a co-sponsor and hosted a booth at the Pine Belt Job Fair on Tuesday, October 30, 2018, from 9:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. at the Hattiesburg Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. This was a large regional job fair put on by the Governors Job Fair Network and was open to the public free of charge. Blakeney Communications was listed as co-sponsor for this event.

Blakeney Communications aired a total of 405 radio spots on WBBN, WXRR, WKZW, WXRR-HD2 and WXHB promoting this job fair and the Governor's Job Fair Network, and the Win Job Center extensively promoted the event throughout the region, inviting the public to meet with employers to discuss job opportunities in many fields.

Blakeney Communications operated a booth with prominent signage and made available job applications, business cards with contact information and flyers about careers in broadcasting. Larry Blakeney, President, and Debbie Blakeney, General Manager, representing WBBN, WXRR, WKZW, WXHB and WXRR-HD2, greeted job seekers and attendees and answered questions about job opportunities with Blakeney Communications, Inc. and career opportunities in the broadcasting field. There were hundreds of attendees, and minorities and women were very well represented among those who came by the Blakeney Communications booth.