

Security Act as amended by the Personal Responsibility Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 110 Stat. 2105 (1996), and new programs or provisions enacted by Congress or the States to replace or modify these programs, including State AFDC programs conducted under Federal waiver authority;

(ii) all other provisions of the Personal Responsibility Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 110 Stat. 2105 (1996), except for the Child Support provisions of Title III; and

(iii) General Assistance or similar State means-tested programs conducted by States or by counties with State funding or under State mandates, and new programs or provisions enacted by States to replace or modify these programs;

(2) Federal or State welfare system does not include other public benefit programs, unless changes to such programs are part of a reform of the AFDC or General Assistance programs.

(b) Reform of a Federal or State welfare system as used in this part means a legislative or administrative effort to change key components of the Federal or State welfare system, including laws and regulations that implement the changes.

(c) Existing law as used in this part means Federal, State or local statutory laws, ordinances or regulations having the force and effect of law, which are enacted to reform a Federal or State welfare system.

§ 1639.3 Prohibition.

Except as provided in §§ 1639.4 and 1639.5, recipients may not initiate legal representation, or participate in any other way in litigation, lobbying or rulemaking involving efforts to reform a Federal or State welfare system. Prohibited activities include participation in:

(a) Litigation challenging laws or regulations enacted as part of a reform of a Federal or State welfare system.

(b) Rulemaking involving proposals that are being considered to implement a reform of a Federal or State welfare system.

(c) Lobbying or other advocacy before legislative or administrative bodies undertaken directly or through grassroots efforts involving pending or proposed legislation that is part of a reform of a Federal or State welfare system.

(d) Litigation or other advocacy undertaken with regard to the granting

or denying of State requests for Federal waivers of Federal requirements for AFDC.

§ 1639.4 Permissible representation of eligible clients.

Recipients may represent an individual eligible client who is seeking specific relief from a welfare agency, if such relief does not involve an effort to amend or otherwise challenge existing law in effect on the date of the initiation of the representation.

§ 1639.5 Exceptions for public rulemaking and responding to requests with non-LSC funds.

Consistent with the provisions of 45 CFR 1612.6 (a)–(e), recipients may use non-LSC funds to comment in a public rulemaking proceeding or respond to a written request for information or testimony from a Federal, State or local agency, legislative body, or committee, or a member thereof, regarding an effort to reform a Federal or State welfare system.

§ 1639.6 Recipient policies and procedures.

Each recipient shall adopt written policies and procedures to guide its staff in complying with this part.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 97-97, RM-9047]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Mt. Juliet and Belle Meade, TN

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Mt. Juliet Broadcasting, Inc., permittee of Station WNPL(FM), Channel 294A, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, proposing the reallocation of Channel 294A from Mt. Juliet to Belle Meade, Tennessee, and modification of Station WNPL(FM)'s construction permit to specify Belle Meade as its community of license. Channel 294A can be allotted to Belle Meade in compliance with the

Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 13.6 kilometers. The coordinates for Channel 294A at Belle Meade are 36-11-08 NL and 86-45-15 WL.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before May 12, 1997, and reply comments on or before May 27, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, or its counsel or consultant, as follows: David E. Honig, Esq., Holland & Knight LLP, 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20037-3202 (Counsel for Petitioner).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pam Blumenthal, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 97-97, adopted March 12, 1997, and released March 21, 1997. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW, Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 2100 M Street, NW, Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this one, which involve channel allotments. See 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contacts.

For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, see 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

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