

Federal Communications Commission

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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American Family Association)	File No. EB-FIELDNER-12-00005818
Licensee of Station W216AU)	
Facility ID # 1620)	NOV No. V201332360014
Martins Ferry, OH)	
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NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Released: January 10, 2013

By the District Director, Detroit Office, Northeast Region, Enforcement Bureau:

1. This is a Notice of Violation (Notice) issued pursuant to Section 1.89 of the Commission's rules (Rules)¹ to American Family Association, licensee of Translator Station W216AU in Martins Ferry, Ohio. Pursuant to Section 1.89(a) of the Rules, issuance of this NOV does not preclude the Enforcement Bureau from further action if warranted, including issuing a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for the violation noted herein.²

2. On December 13, 2012, an agent of the Enforcement Bureau's Detroit Office inspected Station W216AU located in Martins Ferry, Ohio, and observed the following violation:

47 C.F.R. § Section 74.1265(b): "The call sign of the translator or booster together with the name, address, and telephone number of the licensee or local representative of the licensee if the licensee does not reside in the community served by the translator or booster, and the name and address of a person and place where the station records are maintained, shall be displayed at the translator or booster site on the structure supporting the transmitting antenna, so as to be visible to a person standing on the ground at the transmitter site. The display shall be prepared so as to withstand normal weathering for a reasonable period of time and shall be maintained in a legible condition by the licensee." At the time of inspection, no legible signage with the required information was posted at the transmitter site.

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.89.

² 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(a).

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3. Pursuant to Section 308(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,³ and Section 1.89 of the Rules, we seek additional information concerning the violations and any remedial actions taken. Therefore, American Family Association must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice. The response (i) must fully explain each violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct each violation and preclude recurrence, and (iii) must include a time line for completion of any pending corrective action(s). The response must be complete in itself and must not be abbreviated by reference to other communications or answers to other notices.⁴

4. In accordance with Section 1.16 of the Rules, we direct American Family Association to support its response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by an authorized officer of American Family Association with personal knowledge of the representations provided in American Family Association's response, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information therein,⁵ and confirming that all of the information requested by this Notice which is in the licensee's possession, custody, control, or knowledge has been produced. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in reply to this Notice is punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.⁶

5. All replies and documentation sent in response to this Notice should be marked with the File No. and NOV No. specified above, and mailed to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission
Detroit Office
24897 Hathaway Street
Farmington Hills, Michigan, 48335

6. This Notice shall be sent to American Family Association at its address of record.

³ 47 U.S.C. § 308(b).

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(c).

⁵ Section 1.16 of the Rules provides that “[a]ny document to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission and which is required by any law, rule or other regulation of the United States to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by a written sworn declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit by the person making the same, may be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the unsworn declaration, certification, verification, or statement in writing of such person Such declaration shall be subscribed by the declarant as true under penalty of perjury, and dated, in substantially the following form . . . : ‘I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)’.” 47 C.F.R. § 1.16.

⁶ 18 U.S.C. § 1001 *et seq.* See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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7. The Privacy Act of 1974⁷ requires that we advise you that the Commission will use all relevant material information before it, including any information disclosed in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure compliance.

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⁷ P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3).