



FCC Enforcement News

2006

- [Carlos M. Colon fined \\$10,000](#) - For operating a pirate FM station in Puerto Rico. (11/13/06)
- [Raul Guzman Reyes fined \\$10,000](#) - For running an unlicensed FM station in Des Moines, Iowa. (11/13/06)
- [Shawn Deroux fined \\$17,000](#) - For pirate broadcasts in Bronx, NY - a combination of two separate fines (11/6/06).
- [Moises and Juan Cabrera fined \\$10,000](#) - For unlicensed operation in New York City. (9/28/06)
- [Joni Craig fined \\$500](#) - Penalty reduced from \$10,000 after demonstrating an inability to pay. (9/27/06)
- [Jason L. Duncan fined \\$10,000](#) - For helping run "Power Hits 103.3" in Bettendorf, Iowa. (8/10/06)
- [Matthew H. Britcher fined \\$17,000](#) - In part for invoking the "War Powers Act" to protect his pirate station. (8/10/06)
- [Jhony Desinor Petition for Reconsideration Denied](#) - He still must pay his \$10,000 fine. (7/13/06)
- [William Stephen Major Fined \\$10,000](#) - Long-time (still-running) Sacramento pirate gets the bill, will they pay? (6/29/06)
- [William W. Scrugham Fined \\$10,000](#) - Kamiah, Idaho man ran a station on 100.3, backstory unknown. (6/23/06)
- [Sylvane Simon Fined \\$10,000](#) - For unlicensed AM operation in Mattapan, MA (1/26/06)
- [Ramsey Electronics Fined \\$25,000](#) - FCC Notice of Apparent Liability for domestically marketing FM transmitters that exceed Part 15 levels. (1/25/06)
- [Louis Gentile Fined \\$10,000](#) - For unlicensed FM broadcasting in Philadelphia, PA. (1/9/06)

2005

- [Zack De La Rocha Notice of Unlicensed Operation](#) - The FCC sends a warning letter to former Rage frontman. (9/28/05)
- [Hobbytron assessed \\$14,000 NAL](#) - For the marketing of pre-assembled FM transmitters. (8/30/05)
- [Samuel E. Dacres receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For broadcasts on 101.1 MHz in Stone Mountain, GA. (2/25/05)
- [Jose A. Mollinedo receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For broadcasts on 90.9 MHz in Victorville, CA. (1/31/05)

2004

- [Angelo Avena fined \\$1,000](#) - For operating a microradio outlet in Linden, NJ. (11/24/04)
- [Lou Gentile receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For broadcasts on 107.7 MHz in Philadelphia, PA. (11/12/04)
- [Jean L. Senatus receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For broadcasts on 96.1 MHz in Spring Valley, NY. (11/8/04)
- [Alexandre Pierre Abelard fined \\$17,000](#) - For unlicensed broadcasters in Fort Myers, Florida. (10/1/04)
- [FCC civil complaint against Free Radio Santa Cruz](#) - This document was used to secure the warrant to raid the station. (9/28/04)
- [Global Radio, Inc. fine reduced](#) - Firm that ran multiple pirate stations at the Super Bowl in 2003 gets a 10% discount on its penalty. (9/22/04)
- [Fritzner Simon fined \\$10,000](#) - For operating an unlicensed station in Brandon, Florida. (9/10/04)
- [Rev. Yvon Louis Petition for Reconsideration Denied](#) - Still on the hook for a \$10,000 fine for unlicensed broadcasting in Brooklyn. (9/8/04)
- [Donald Donovan Jackson Fined \\$3,000](#) - Reduced from \$20,000 after demonstrating fiscal difficulty. (8/10/04)
- [Michael S. Selvanto fined \\$10,000](#) - For broadcasts with a 500-watt transmitter in Elizabeth, NJ. (8/10/04)
- [Stanley Mark Mayo fined \\$20,000](#) - For operating an FM and AM combo in Victorville, CA. (7/9/04)
- [Mark A. Clay fined \\$1,000](#) - For unlicensed FM broadcasts in West Virginia; reduced from original \$10,000. (6/16/04)
- [Timothy J. Massett receives \\$1,000 fine](#) - Was originally \$10,000 for action in Jacksonville, FL but proved inability to pay. (5/24/04)
- [L.A.C.A. fined \\$10,000](#) - After multiple warnings and visits; the New York station occupied two frequencies (not simultaneously). (5/20/04)
- [Rony Richard Louis receives \\$10,000 fine](#) - For repeated unlicensed FM broadcasts in Orlando, Florida. (5/20/04)
- [Gabriel Dorcelly receives \\$10,000 fine](#) - Claims to have been "testing" an LPFM station under the process of licensing, but that explanation did not wash. (5/10/04)
- [Gary M. Feldman receives \\$10,000 forfeiture](#) - Accused of "willful and repeated" unlicensed operation in Miami, Florida. (4/27/04)
- [Jason T. Green receives \\$10,000 forfeiture](#) - For broadcasts on 91.9 MHz in Naples, Florida. (4/27/04)
- [Billy Thomas Alsbrooks fined \\$10,000](#) - For unlicensed operation on 91.3 MHz in Orlando, Florida. (4/15/04)
- [William Davon Upson fined \\$10,000](#) - For broadcasts involving the frequency 91.7 in Orlando, Florida. (4/15/04)

[Stanley Mark Mayo receives \\$20,000 NAL](#) - A rare enforcement action against an unlicensed AM/FM simulcaster, on the air for nearly two years in Victorville, CA. (3/31/04)
[Michael David Oaks receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - Operation of "Energy 98.1" in Oregon. (3/12/04)
[Rony Richard Louis receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - After being warned to cease unlicensed transmissions at 89.5 FM in Florida. (3/3/04)
[Josue Alusma's fine reduced to \\$500](#) - From an original \$10,000, after the Florida man demonstrated financial hardship. (2/26/04)
[L.A.C.A. receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For repeated broadcasts on two frequencies in the Bronx. (2/24/04)

2003

[A-O Broadcasting Corporation Exposes Rangers to Radiation, Fined \\$25,000](#) - At least three times the amount allowed by legal limit, via their antenna attached to a firewatch tower in New Mexico. (12/22/03)
[Billy Thomas Alsbrooks receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - Caught running a station on 91.3 MHz in Orlando, Florida. (12/12/03)
[Fritzner Simon receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - After being caught broadcasting sans license in Brandon, Florida. (12/11/03)
[Gateway Security Fined \\$5,000 for Unlicensed Radios at LaGuardia](#) - It forgot to get licenses for its walkie-talkies because it was too busy with homeland security. (11/19/03)
[Daniel Clephar fined \\$10,000](#) - Caught on 92.7 in Orlando, Florida. (10/31/03)
[Patrick S. Green issued \\$10,000 NAL](#) - Involved broadcasts on 100.5 MHz in Ft. Myers, Florida. (10/21/03)
[Tori Javier Lipscomb fined \\$10,000](#) - For operating on 100.5 in Ft. Myers without a license. (10/10/03)
[William Davon Upson receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For broadcasts on 91.7 in Orlando, FL. (10/9/03)
[Nextel WIP Enters Consent Decree for Unlicensed Radio Operation](#) - The company claimed no knowledge of the wireless node, which was interfering with a power company's equipment. Penalty: \$10,000. (9/23/03)
[Odino Joseph's Fine Reduced](#) - Knocked from \$10,000 to \$1,000 after Joseph demonstrates inability to pay \$10K. (8/18/03)
[Rev. Yvon Louis fined \\$10,000](#) - Brooklyn pastor operated over the course of a year on three FM frequencies, and multiple visits did not scare him off the air. (8/1/03)
[Everald Oliver Brown Fined \\$10,000](#) - Unauthorized operation on 95.9 in Orlando, FL. (7/22/03)
[Federal District Court Orders Civil Judgment Against Richard I. Rowland for Unlicensed Radio Operation](#) - Fined \$10,000 in 2001 for pirate broadcasting in Florida, Rowland refused to pay, so the FCC forces collection in court. (7/15/03)
 [Brian N. Bloom fined \\$10,000](#) - The second person this year to be busted for using 93.9 in Orlando, Florida. (6/24/03)
 [Peninsula Communications Loses Two Station Licenses](#) - FCC Administrative Law Judge Richard L. Sippel revokes two licenses from an Alaska company that set up an illegal "translator network" involving seven stations; Peninsula still holds two full-power and four translator station licenses. (6/19/03)
[Alexandre Pierre Abelard receives \\$17,000 NAL](#) - The FCC did not buy his excuse that an unidentified man was responsible for the pirate in Fort Myers, Florida. (5/20/03)
[Rayon Sherwin "Junior" Payne Sentenced to 9 Months for Unlicensed Broadcasting](#) - FCC release details Payne's two guilty pleas; he will also spend a year on probation and perform 50 hours of community service. (5/12/03)
[Rawlins Charles fined \\$10,000](#) - Brooklyn pirate did not respond to notice of apparent liability, so now comes the bill. (5/9/03)
[Emmanuel Frederic fined \\$10,000](#) - Brooklyn broadcaster used two FM frequencies without a license. (5/8/03)
[Fernando Alejandro fined \\$10,000](#) - Bronx, NY parked on 95.1 and would not move. (5/8/03)
[Omar A. Ebanks fined \\$10,000](#) - Unlicensed broadcaster caught operating on 93.9 in Orlando, Florida. (5/5/03)
[Assondieu Fortune fined \\$10,000](#) - Naples, FL man operated an unlicensed station at 105.9. (4/30/03)
[Maria L. Salazar fined \\$39,000](#) - Owner of KTCM-FM in Kingman, Kansas is caught running a second unlicensed transmitter. (4/22/03)
 [Richard Muñoz Gets Fine Reduced](#) - FCC scales back the fine to \$2,000 from \$10,000 after Muñoz demonstrates inability to pay. (3/31/03)
[Homere Hyppolite's Fine Reduced to \\$2,000](#) - Naples, FL man demonstrates inability to pay the full \$10K. (3/24/03)
[Shlomo Malka found in contempt, fined \\$35,000 for unlicensed broadcasting](#) - Miami-area microbroadcaster violates year-old injunction, may now be compelled to cooperate in "continuing investigation" to round up advertisers/supporters. (3/3/03)
[Benjamin Leroy Carter gets 18 mos. probation, 4 mos. home detention for unlicensed broadcasting](#) - FCC news release on a rare criminal sentencing; it also includes 50 hours of community service. (2/10/03)
[\\$10,000 Forfeiture Order: Marcel Charles](#) - Immokalee, FL man defies repeated warnings. (2/4/03)
[\\$10,000 Forfeiture Order: Ian R. Walker](#) - Jacksonville, FL man accused of operation on 95.5. (1/29/03)
[\\$10,000 Forfeiture Order: Josue Alusma](#) - Naples, FL man accused of operation on 100.5. (1/29/03)

2002

[Thomas Brothers' \\$10,000 Fine Canceled](#) - The Berkeley, MI broadcaster fined for pirate activity demonstrates an inability to pay. (12/20/02)
[Octavio Sarmiento, Jr. fined \\$10,000](#) - Repeated warnings result in the fine for Naples, FL broadcaster; an active appeal is denied in the process. (12/19/02)
[Manuel Vasquez fined \\$10,000](#) - Another Naples, FL broadcaster is hit with a forfeiture. (12/10/02)
[Gabriel Dorcely receives \\$10,000 NAL](#) - For unlicensed operation in Orange Park, Florida. (12/2/02)

[Rev. Dr. Philius Nicholas' Fine Reduced](#) - Unlicensed station operator in Brooklyn proves he can't afford the \$10K fine, so the FCC knocks \$9K of the bill. (11/26/02)
[California Speedway Fined \\$8,000 for Piracy](#) - One watt on 104.7: "We did everything we could to obey the rules, except the part about the license." Good enough for a \$2,000 discount! (11/14/04)
[Benjamin Leroy Carter pleads guilty to 7 counts of unlicensed operation](#) - Orlando, FL man resisted repeated attempts to take him off the air. (11/8/02)
[KWAK Fined \\$10,000 for Unlicensed Broadcasting](#) - A licensed station in South Dakota was operating an illegal "broadcast auxiliary station." (10/29/02)
[Richard Munoz \(Mision Posible Radio\) Fined \\$10,000](#) - FCC forfeiture order to Naples, FL church-based microstation. (10/24/02)
[FCC Enforcement Bureau: Year Three Progress Report](#) - The most notable excerpts from Deputy Chief Linda Blair's report on enforcement action against unlicensed broadcasters. View the heavily-embellished "official" version [here](#). (10/10/02)
[Florida Man Fined \\$10,000](#) - Lake Worth's James Leger fined by the FCC's Miami office. (6/25/02)
[Brooklyn Reverend Gets \\$10,000 fine](#) - The Rev. Dr. Philius Nicholas resisted repeated warnings. (6/5/02)
[Michigan Man Fined \\$10,000](#) - Thomas Brothers of Berkley gets hit with a fine after multiple contact with field agents. (6/3/02)
[Puerto Rican Raided](#) - Amil Lugo-Gonzalez had got the full treatment from the Federal Marshals (5/29/02)
[Paul Dorleans Arrested](#) - Brooklyn, New York man operated a station at 87.9 FM. (4/15/02)

2001

[FM Station Operator Convicted on Criminal Charges](#) - Kahlid Kubweza, jousting with the FCC since 1995, has been convicted on four counts of unlicensed broadcasting (9/6/01)
[Doug Brewer Loses Ham License, Fined \\$11,000](#) - The official FCC Order issuing Brewer his latest fine and revoking his amateur radio licenses (6/26/01)
[Brooklyn Man Arrested for Unlicensed Broadcasting](#) - Ibar Mohamed is taken into custody for repeatedly refusing to stop broadcasts on 89.3 (5/25/01)
[FCC Moves to Yank Party Pirate's License](#) - Doug Brewer of Tampa's Party Pirate 102.1 is in trouble again (3/5/01)

2000

[FCC Enforcement Bureau - Year One Progress Report](#) - Covers the timespan between Nov. 8, 1999 and Nov. 7, 2000
[Doug Brewer Fined \\$10,000 for Selling Unauthorized Transmitter](#) - Apparent sting operation leads to the fine (3/3/00)

1999

[Free Radio Gainesville's \\$6,000 Fine Cancelled](#) - Read the actual letter from the FCC taking back the action (3/19/99)