#### Annual Equal Employment Opportunity Public File Report

## WDNB (FM)/WHNB-FM/WSUL (FM)/WVOS-FM/WVOS (AM)

February 1, 2023 – January 31, 2024

The purpose of this EEO Public File Report is to comply with Section 73.2080(c)(6) of the Federal Communications Commission's 2002 EEO Rule. This report has been prepared on behalf of the Station Employment Unit that is comprised of the following stations: WDNB (FM) Jeffersonville, NY, WHNB-FM, Hancock, NY, WSUL (FM) Monticello, NY, WVOS-FM Liberty, NY, and WVOS (AM) Liberty, NY: and is required to be placed in the public inspection files of these stations, and posted on their websites, if they have websites.

The information contained in this report covers the time period beginning February 1, 2023 up to and including January 31, 2024.

The FCC's 2002 EEO Rule requires that this report contain the following information:

- 1. A list of all full-time vacancies filled by the Stations comprising the Station Employment Unit during the Applicable Period;
- 2. For each such vacancy, the recruitment source(s) utilized to fill the vacancy including, if applicable, organizations entitled to notification pursuant to Section 73.2080(c)(1)(ii) of the new EEO Rule which should be identified separately by name, address, contact person and telephone number;
- 3. The recruitment source that referred the person hired for each full-time vacancy during the Applicable Period;
- 4. Data reflecting the total number of persons interviewed for full-time vacancies during the Applicable Period and the total number of interviewees referred by each recruitment source utilized in connection with such vacancies; and
- 5. A list and brief description of the initiatives undertaken pursuant to Section 72.2080(c)(2) of the FCC rules.

Appendices 1, 2, and 3, which follow, have been designed, in the aggregate, to provide the required information. Please note that the numbers listed on Appendix 2 under the column entitled "Full-time Positions for Which This Source Was Utilized" refer to the number of the full-time positions listed on Appendix 1.

For the purposes of this report, a vacancy was deemed "filled" not when the offer was extended but when the person hired accepted the job offer. The person was deemed "interviewed" whether he or she was interviewed in person, over the telephone or by e-mail.

## Appendix 1

## EEO Public File Report

Covering the period February 1, 2023 to January 31, 2024

# Stations Comprising the Station Employment Unit: WDNB (FM)/WHNB-FM/WSUL (FM)/ WVOS-FM/WVOS (AM)

Section 1: Vacancy Information

Full-time Positions Filled By Job Title	Recruitment Source of Person Hired	Total Number of Interviewees from All Sources for this Position
Digital Marketing Consultant	Self-Referral	1

Total Number of Persons Interviewed During Applicable Period: 1

## **Annual Source Information**

Recruitment Sources Employed for outreach during Applicable Period:

Recruitment Ads aired on radio stations Local Community Networking NYS Broadcasters promotion of internship program Social media

## Appendix 2

## EEO Public File Report Form

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## Section 2: Recruitment Source Information

Recruitment Source	Total Number of Interviewees This Source Has Provided During This Period	Full-time Positions for Which This Source Was Utilized
Self-Referral	1	1

#### Appendix 3

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Section 3: Supplemental (Non-Vacancy Specific) Recruitment Activities Undertaken by WDNB (FM)/WHNB-FM/WSUL (FM)/ WVOS-FM/WVOS (AM)

The following activities were undertaken during the Applicable Period. Details of activities are included in the appendix.

Appendix A-2024

Co-Hosted Northeast Broadcast Career Fair on Sep 21, 2023.

Appendix B-2024

Broadcast Equal Opportunity Employment Notices on all stations.

Appendix C-2024

Job / Career Fair Participation

Appendix D-2024

Internship Program

Appendix E-2024

Summer Youth Program

#### Northeast Broadcast Career Fair

Sponsored by
Bold Gold Media WBS, LP Licensee/Operator of WWRR WMMZ WICK WYCK WTRW
WCDL

Bold Gold Media Group, LP Licensee/Operator of WDNH, WYCY, WPSN, WVOS-FM, WVOS (AM) WDNB, WSUL WHNB
Public Broadcasting WVIA-FM/TV

Bold Gold Media and Public Broadcasting WVIA-FM and WVIA-TV co-sponsored, developed, and produced a market wide event to expose members of the general public to information about career opportunities in the broadcasting field. The event was held at the studios of WVIA-FM/TV, Pittston Township, PA on Thursday, Sep 21, 2023 from 4:00 pm. to 6:00 pm. The sponsors offered area broadcasters an opportunity to meet persons interested in broadcasting careers and offered members of the public the opportunity to learn about careers in broadcasting at a event open to the public with nine employers present. This event was conducted at no cost to the participating employers and attendees.

The sponsors promoted the event in advance by devoting a significant amount of airtime in the weeks preceding the event to promote of the Career Fair. In addition, both sponsors promoted the event on station web sites. Members of the public were invited to learn about career opportunities in the broadcasting field.

The event was developed by Bold Gold Media Business Manager Ashok Divecha and WVIA-FM Vice President for Radio Chris Norton. The sponsor representatives consulted in August, 2023 and drew up the outline for the career fair based on a successful promotion held in 2019. The sponsor representatives decided that the event would be held on a weekday afternoon. Members of the public would be encouraged to attend to learn about opportunities in the broadcasting field. Bold Gold Media and WVIA-FM/TV would promote the event on the air. Other area broadcasters would be invited to attend by the sponsors, and would be encouraged to promote the event on their stations.

In August 2023 the sponsor representatives selected the WVIA studio location on Old Boston Road in Pittston Township, PA as the site of the event. WVIA agreed to provide the room. The sponsor representatives confirmed that other broadcasters would be invited to attend at no cost to them. The WVIA studio location is centrally located in the Scranton/Wilkes Barre area. The WVIA main TV Studio would offer sufficient space for the expected turnout. WVIA would select a suitable date in September 2023. The sponsors would schedule the time of the event so it ran beyond normal business hours so that individuals who were presently employed, but interested in opportunities in broadcasting, would be able to attend. The sponsors selected 4:00 pm. to 6:00 pm. as the time for the event.

Ashok Divecha and Chris Norton developed a list of broadcasters and Chris Norton extended written invitations on behalf of the sponsors to:

**Times-Shamrock Communications** 

149 Penn Avenue Scranton, PA 18503

Cumulus Communications 600 Baltimore Drive Wilkes Barre, PA 18702

Auducy Wilkes Barre-Scranton

305 Route 315

Pittston Twp., PA 18640

Bold Gold Media Group 1049 North Sekol Road Scranton, PA 18504

WVIA Radio-TV 100 WVIA Way Pittston, PA 18640

WNEP-TV

16 Montage Mountain Road

Moosic, PA 18507

WBRE-WYOU 62 South Franklin St. Wilkes Barre, PA 18701 WYNY

**Neversink Broadcasting** 

PO Box 920

Port Jervis, NY 12771

Ion Media WQPX

409 Lackawanna Ave Suite 700

Scranton, PA 18503

**WPEL** 

Montrose Broadcasting Corp.

9 Locust St.

Montrose, PA 18801

WRGN RR3

Hunlock Creek, PA 18621

Geos Communications 54 Wilmar Drive

Tunkhannock, PA 18657

**WOLF-TV** 

1181 Highway 315 Plains Twp, PA 18702

WWRR/WMMZ/WICK/WYCK/WTRW/WCDL/WDNH/WYCY/WDNB/WHNB/WPSN and WVIA scheduled announcements during the four weeks leading up to the Job Fair. The announcement script was provided to the broadcasters invited to attend and they were asked to schedule announcements. WVIA and Bold Gold Media posted the event on their web sites. Promotion of the event was scheduled from Sept 05 to Sept 21, 2023.

Posters promoting the event were sent to communications departments of area colleges and universities:

Marywood University
University of Scranton
Keystone College
King's College
Wilkes University
Misercordia University
Luzerne County Communication

Luzerne County Community College

The sponsor representatives reviewed plans in mid-August.

On Thursday, Sept 21, 2023 the sponsors conducted the career fair. 6 employers: WNEP-TV, WBRE/WYOU-TV, WOLF/WSWB/WQMY-TV, Shamrock Communications, and the sponsors Bold Gold Media and WVIA-FM/TV reserved space to greet persons interested in broadcasting careers. The participating employers sent 11 total staff members to conduct the event. WVIA provided tables and chairs for the broadcasters in the station's main television studio. The location was large enough for the broadcasters to conduct private conversations with the attendees. Attendees were asked to register at a central location at the entrance to the room. They were free to meet with any employers they desired. A review of the central registration showed that over 20 individuals signed in for the event. Most attendees spoke with multiple broadcasters. The promotion of the event resulted in a high level of interest among those who attended. Many attendees came with resumes in hand and asked about full time and part time employment opportunities. Attendees included college students, recent college graduates, members of the public seeking information or opportunities with broadcasters and current or former broadcast employees seeking new opportunities for employment Broadcasters with openings used the event to arrange for follow-up meetings with interested attendees.

The sponsor representatives judged that the event was a success. It drew potential employees, many of whom had no broadcast employment experience. Attendees came from communities throughout the market area. The participation of multiple broadcasting companies made the event more valuable to the attendees because it offered a wide variety of potential employers. The companies attending said the career fair was valuable to them and they would be interested in attending a future career fair.

To ensure the success of the future event, the sponsors will evaluate avenues of promotion to identify additional means of outreach.

The sponsor representatives judged that the event was a positive means of outreach for employees and that it fulfilled the broadcasters' requirement to conduct equal opportunity employment outreach and to reach qualified, potential employees.

The sponsors will schedule another event of this type in the next year using a similar plan. The sponsor representatives will meet to set the date and firm up the rest of the plans in the mid 2024

## Bold Gold Media Group/WVIA Career Fair

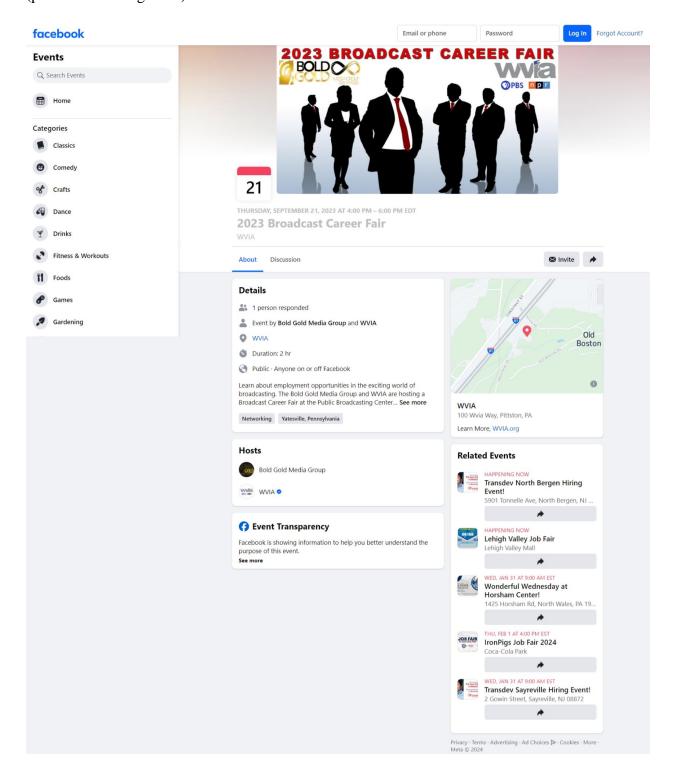
Bold Gold Sponsor's Message

Are you considering a career in the field of broadcasting? The area's leading radio and television stations want to meet you at the Northeast Broadcasting Employment Fair on Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. This will be your opportunity to explore a career in broadcasting. Meet with broadcasters and learn more about working in radio and television. The event is free and open to all. Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 4 to 6 PM at the WVIA Broadcasting Center in Pittston. Sponsored by Bold Gold Media Group, and WVIA Public Media, equal opportunity employers who hope to meet you there.

Broadcasters were permitted to customize this message.

## Appendix A-2024

3. Social Media: Facebook (published 16 Aug 2023)



# Appendix B-2024

EEO On-Air Outreach

Exhibit A: Text of the WDNB/WHNB announcement

Exhibit B: Text of the WSUL announcement

Exhibit C: Text of the WVOS-FM/WVOS (AM) announcement

#### WDNB(FM)/WHNB-FM

### **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ANN**

THIS IS DAWN CIORCIARI, VICE GENERAL MANAGER AND DIRECTOR OF SALES AT BOLD GOLD MEDIA GROUP, THUNDER 102, 98-3 WSUL AND 95-9 VOS-FM. WE'RE LOOKING FOR QUALIFIED, PROFESSIONAL RADIO SALES PEOPLE TO JOIN THE TEAM OF SULLIVAN COUNTY'S MOST LISTENED TO AND MOST RESPECTED RADIO STATIONS. A STRONG WORK ETHIC AND A DESIRE TO BE PART OF THE SUCCESS OF OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AND OUR COMMUNITY ARE A MUST. WE'RE EXPANDING OUR ON AIR BROADCAST AND OUR INNOVATIVE DIGITAL MARKETING PLATFORMS. IF YOU WANT TO PART OF THE BOLD GOLD MEDIA GROUP TEAM GO TO BOLDGOLDNEWYORK DOT COM THAT'S BOLDGOLDNEWYORK.COM AND CLICK ON THE CONTACT TAB. PREVIOUS SALES AND MARKETING EXPERIENCE IS A PLUS. BOLD GOLD MEDIA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

#### WSUL(FM)

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Interns and part-time employees will be recruited for positions as they occur using all resources available. Those part-time employees may apply for full-time openings and compete for those full-time positions with other qualified candidates as the employment unit performs outreach. In all recruiting and hiring the station employment unit will recruit and hire with full compliance to the Equal Employment Opportunity regulations.

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### Appendix C-2024

Bold Gold Media Group, LP participated in two job fairs held in the local region. Both provided opportunities for job seekers to meet Bold Gold staff and learn about career opportunities throughout the company.

Jennifer Clark attended a Career Fair at Liberty High School in Liberty, NY in October 2023. She spoke with a range of high school students about careers in broadcasting at local radio stations.

On Sept 21, 2023, Bold Gold Media Group sponsored, participated in and promoted the Northeast Broadcast Career Fair. Ashok Divecha represented Bold Gold Media. He met with local job seekers, explained employment opportunities in the field of radio broadcasting, and accepting resumes for future openings.

On Apr 4, 2023, Bold Gold Media Group sponsored, participated in and promoted a job fair organized by the Pike County Workforce Development Agency. Ashok Divecha represented Bold Gold Media. He met with local job seekers, explained employment opportunities in the field of radio broadcasting, and accepting resumes for future openings.



#### Appendix D-2024

Bold Gold Media Group LP, traditionally sponsors and conducts and internship at our Monticello, NY office each year. Interns typically learn and gain experience in a wide range of station activities including Sales, Traffic, Production, Programing, On-Air duties, and Management.

Bold Gold Media Group LP, sponsored and conducted three internships at our Catskills, NY office.

- 1. Jacob Cohen completed a three-month, 186.5 hour paid internship through a NYS Broadcasters Association Internship grant starting in June 2023 as part of his Communication in the Music Industry coursework at SUNY Oneonta. He worked with both Paul Ciliberto and Eddie Wilson, both veteran radio personalities learning about a variety of radio station disciplines, including on-air broadcasting, production, and programming. He was able to observe and be part of a live morning show, he helped produced commercials and promos, he learned how to program a station, he helped with a live remote and also learned about sales and operations.
- 2. Kristina Davis completed a 10-week, 220 hour paid internship through a NYS Broadcasters Association Internship grant starting in June 2023 as part of her Marketing & Graphic Design coursework at LeMoyne College. She came to us with specific interest in Marketing and Graphic Design. She was introduced to all aspects of radio station operations including on-air, production, programming, news and traffic. With her interest in graphic design, she was assigned specific graphic design projects for our radio clients, radio promotions and radio websites, and the launch of a brand-new radio station in our market. She was able to observe everything involved in the launch from programming and production, to creating the logo for a new radio station, its website, and social media support.
- 3. Nya Reebe completed a two-month, 200 hour paid internship through a NYS Broadcasters Association Internship grant starting in June 2023 as part of her Graphic Design coursework at the SUNY Sullivan. Nya came to us with specific interest in Media and Graphic Design. Because of her interest in graphic design, she was put on specific graphic design projects. These projects were geared toward supporting our radio promotions, our stations social media, and our radio station websites. One larger project she worked on was helping us launch a brand-new radio station in our market. She was able to observe everything involved in the launch from programming and production, to creating the logo for a new radio station, its website, and social media support.

Bold Gold was pleased with the program, the students' effort and participation, and will plan to conduct internship programs in the future.

#### Appendix E-2024

Bold Gold partnered with Sullivan County Center For Workforce Development Youth Services as an educational job site from July 5, 2023 - August 17, 2023 Monday through Thursday, in order to provide students with training and exposure to facilitate competence, confidence, best practices toward a general working knowledge of and practical experience in modern business, brand identity, marketing and modern multimedia content creation. Students were taken from theory and ideation to execution by fully immersing students into a professional creative multimedia content studio environment along with guided practical instruction, observation and contribution to real world projects, shadowing industry professionals and goal-oriented tasks and projects.

Bold Gold staff taught 9 students and the curriculum covered Digital Graphics, Digital Photography, Digital Video, Digital Audio, Websites, and Social Media. The Program Lead was Jamie Lazarus, Chief Digital Strategist who taught classroom instruction Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, with Wednesday used for practical instruction at Bold Gold's NY office and studios.

The Program culminated with each student creating their own personal brand complete with printed business cards, a published website, and a YouTube Channel featuring their own original digital multimedia pieces and content created throughout the program.