



## MEMBER ELECTION 2018

### **Joseph Appelbaum**

Joe Appelbaum purchased his first horse in 2001 and fourteen years ago founded Off The Hook – a breeding, racing and sales company.

Off The Hook has developed and campaigned dozens of graded stakes winners, most notably, Breeders Cup & Eclipse Award winner Informed Decision as well as other star performers such as Zivo, Faypien, El Deal, Pashito The Che, Turbo Compressor, Paulina's Love, Zipessa, and Korean Champion, Gamdonguibada.

Off The Hook maintains two-dozen broodmares in Kentucky, New York and Florida. We break and train another fifty horse per year at our facility in Ocala, Florida.

Joe is currently the President of both the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (NYTHA) as well as the national recognized Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (THA). He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the New York Racing Association (NYRA), New York Jockey Injury Compensation Fund (NYJICF) and the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA).

When Arrogate prevailed over California Chrome, Joe won the 2016 edition of the Breeders Cup Betting Challenge.

Joe graduated from Yale University and has had two previous careers, coaching college football (working with Wayne Chrebet and Victor Cruz) and founding Oasis Children's Service LLC, a provider of after-school and summertime programming for children. He lives in New York City with his wife and two children. If you are at Belmont, Saratoga or Aqueduct you are likely to see him.

### **Perry R. Bass II**

Perry Bass currently lives in Fort Worth Texas working in his family's investment office and managing his family's cattle/ranching operations. After graduating from Vanderbilt University in 2010, Perry spent three years in New York City working in the JP Morgan Private Bank followed by two years in Philadelphia where he earned his MBA at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School in 2016.

Perry actively manages his family's racing and breeding operation and serves on the Board of The Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation.

## **Antony R. Beck**

Antony Beck has had a lifelong passion for Thoroughbreds. He has been actively involved in the industry for more than 35 years, having owned and operated farms in England, South Africa, and the United States.

As president of Gainesway, Beck oversees breeding operations on the 1,500-acre property that has become one of Central Kentucky's most acclaimed stallion stations. It is also the only horse farm in the world to receive accreditation as an arboretum.

Gainesway's current stallion roster is headlined by three-time North American leading sire Tapit, a record-setter in progeny earnings for each of his championship seasons and sire of 24 Grade 1 winners. Tapit stands alongside classic winner and sire of sires Empire Maker, who was repatriated from Japan in 2015 to stand at Gainesway.

A graduate of London University, Beck is director of Graham Beck Wines, his family's South African wine label. He also serves on the board of directors for Breeders' Cup and Keeneland and on the board of trustees for the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders' Association and Transylvania University.

Beck, his wife Angela, and their five children make their home at Gainesway in Lexington.

## **Gatewood Bell**

Bell is the owner of Cromwell Bloodstock, a Lexington, KY based consulting operation which routinely travels abroad to represent both domestic and international clients in the purchasing and selling of thoroughbreds, management of racing and breeding portfolios, matings and seasons/shares acquisitions, appraisals, and forming racing and pinhooking partnerships under his banner of *Hat Creek Racing*. Among his recent successes from public auction are the discovery of Undrafted, G1 Royal Ascot winning millionaire along with other G1 winning stallions Mastery and Hootenanny.

Bell was raised in the thoroughbred business at his family's Jonabell Farm in Lexington. He has gained previous experience with three years spent at both Nicoma Bloodstock and with multiple Breeders' Cup winning trainer Kiaran McLaughlin. He is an alumnus of the University of Kentucky graduating with honors and a degree in finance. Mr. Bell is the U.S. overseas representative for *Goffs* auction house in Ireland and also currently serves as a member of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission. He resides in Lexington with his wife Lauren and their three children Eloise (7), Daisy (5) & Gus (3).

## **Craig Bernick**

Craig Bernick is President of Glen Hill Farm, a breeding and racing operation based in Ocala, Florida, as well as a managing partner in Elevage Bloodstock, which invests in stallion shares and broodmares. A Breeders Cup Director, Bernick Co-Chairs the Wagering Committee as well as the Racing and Nominations Committee. He is on the Executive Committee of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, and has served on the Executive Committee of the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance. He is an officer of the Lavin Family Foundation, which supports education, after-school and health programs in the Chicago area. Before entering the Thoroughbred business, Bernick was a business development and marketing executive at The Alberto-Culver Company.

## **Carter Carnegie**

Carter has been involved in promoting thoroughbred racing for the last 18 years and a sports marketing and media professional for over 25 years. Over his career, he has had the opportunity to work with sports leagues such as the NBA and NFL, networks such as NBC and ESPN and corporate partners such as Nike, Gatorade and Emirates Airline. Prior to starting his company, Metrical, Inc. in 2012, Carter worked for the Breeders' Cup where he developed a multi-million dollar sponsorship and licensing program.

Metrical represents a wide variety of brands and organizations in racing as well as other sport and lifestyle events both domestically and abroad. Current clients are British Horse Racing, TVG, Bacardi (Grey Goose and Patron), Wrigley Media Group and Sentient Jet.

Carter also serves on the advisory Board of the TAA.

## **Case Clay**

Case Clay is currently Chief Commercial Officer at Three Chimneys Farm. In addition to his duties at Three Chimneys, he also manages the racing and breeding operations for Willis Horton and is an American Representative for Arrowfield Stud in Australia.

Case has served on the Breeders' Cup Enhanced Experience Committee and the Racing and Nominations Committee and is proud to have played an integral part in the conception of the inaugural Champions Terrace.

## **Alan Cooper**

Alan Cooper has been steeped in international racing and breeding from a very early stage of his life. Brought up in Ireland in a racing family, Alan has worked for the Niarchos Family/Flaxman Holdings Limited since 1984, becoming their racing manager in 1987.

A strong believer in international racing, Alan has always been a keen supporter of the Breeders Cup and would like to contribute to the further development of the Breeders Cup's global appeal.

## **Donald Dizney**

Don Dizney has owned Double Diamond Farm, a breeding and training operation in Ocala, Florida for the last thirty-five years.

He has raced and bred over sixty stakes horses including Wekiva Springs, Anet, Apriority, Bahamian Squall, Diamond Omi, Semoran and Joint Effort.

He currently stands Florida's leading stallion First Dude whom he bred and raced.

Dizney is a three term Past President of the FTBOA and is a member of the Jockey Club. He has served on a number of national thoroughbred boards.

He is Chairman of the Board of United Medical Corporation located in the United States and the Caribbean. United Medical Corporation has been responsible for the development of a network of acute

care and behavioral specialty hospitals including the largest privately held Women and Children's specialty hospital in the Caribbean.

### **Everett Dobson**

Everett Dobson grew up in Cheyenne, Oklahoma. He graduated with a B.A. in Economics from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He founded Dobson Communications Corporation, which became one of the largest rural cellular telephone providers in the United States. He sold the cellular company to AT&T in 2007, which at the time of sale served 17 states, 1.6 million subscribers and had 3,000 employees.

Today, Dobson is the CEO of Dobson Technologies and its subsidiaries, which focuses on the operation of a 3,000 mile fiber optic network and a managed IT business serving enterprise customers throughout Oklahoma and north Texas. He is also a minority owner of the NBA Oklahoma City Thunder.

Everett is a member of the Board of Stewards for the Jockey Club. He is on the Board of Trustees for TOBA and serves on the Executive Committee and American Graded Stakes Committee.

Everett is the owner of Candy Meadows Farm, a broodmare farm with about 30 mares under care, in Lexington, Kentucky. He races under Cheyenne Stables. Graded stakes winners include Mastery, Madefromlucky, Caleb's Posse, Mystical Star, Genre and Cowboy Culture.

Everett is enthusiastic to assist the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors in continuing to make the Breeders' Cup the best 2-day racing event in the world.

### **Robert (Bob) Edwards**

Robert Edwards is a Florida businessman who over the last two decades has successfully founded and sold pharmaceutical companies and pharmaceutical assets. Engaged in the development, manufacturing and distribution of generic pharmaceuticals, Robert has expanded his generic offerings to the animal market. Currently he is the founder and CEO of e5 Pharma, LLC and Old Everglades Distillery which looks to break ground in Broward County in mid2018

### **William S. Farish, Jr.**

Bill Farish was voted Chairman of the Board of Breeders' Cup Limited from 2006 through 2012 and then again from 2013 through 2017. The Farish family owns Lane's End Farm, located in Central Kentucky. Lane's End is one of the foremost full-service breeding establishments in the industry.

During his first chairmanship, Farish oversaw dramatic changes in the Breeders' Cup, foremost among them, was the growth of the Breeders' Cup from a single day \$14 million prize money event to a two-day Championship comprised of 13 races, with purses and awards totaling \$26 million. It was also during this period that the Breeders' Cup Challenge series of automatic qualifying races was created; and organization passed several security and safety measures, and the banning of steroids from Breeders' Cup competition.

Farish and his family reside in Lexington, Kentucky.

## **Sean Feld**

Sean Feld was born into a racing family and at age 31 has held numerous and diverse jobs in the Thoroughbred business. At age 10 he owned his first piece of a Thoroughbred racehorse and five years later he spent his first summer away from his California working on 505 Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Before attending the University of Kentucky, he had a short stint as a jockey agent. After graduating from the University of Kentucky in 2009 with a degree in Agricultural Economics, Sean sold seasons for Walmac Farm and then went to Spendthrift farm where he sold season as well was on the buying team for Spendthrift Farm when Beholder was purchased.

He has since founded Climax Stallions, a cutting edge stallion syndicate company, is the co-founder of the state of the art web site [atthesale.com](http://atthesale.com) and most recently was hired on as a consultant for Little Red Feather, one of the nation's leading racing partnerships.

Sean resides in Lexington, KY with his fiancée Kate.

## **H. Greg Goodman**

Greg Goodman has been involved in Thoroughbred racing all of his life, he has been an owner and a breeder for over 20 years. He is a native Houstonian who attended the University of Texas at Austin and graduated from the University of Houston. His late father, Harold V. Goodman, owned Brazos T Farm in Brookshire, Texas where he stood the stallion Manzotti and was named the TOBA Texas breeder of the year three times. He also served an important role in the passage of pari-mutuel betting in Texas.

Mr. Goodman and his family own Mt. Brilliant Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. His portfolio consists of 32 mares, 10 of which are graded stakes horses and the dams of six recent or current graded stakes horses. In addition to the broodmare band, Mr. Goodman and his family have horses in training, ten in the US with trainer, Michael Stidham and two in Europe with trainer, Sir Mark Prescott.

Goodman is involved in every aspect of the Thoroughbred business: stallions, broodmares, sales and racing. He is currently the Vice Chair of the Markey Cancer Foundation, one of the founders and current Treasurer of the Fayette Alliance, Chair of the Fayette Alliance Foundation, member of the Mt. Brilliant Family Foundation, as well as a former member of the TOBA Board of Trustees, Texas Thoroughbred Association, Thoroughbred Research Institute, Sayre School, University of Texas Health Science Center, Cleveland Clinic, Goodman Global and Southwest Bank of Texas. His outside business interests include investments and finance.

## **Fred W. Hertrich III**

In 1975, after graduating from Bucknell University with a BSBA in 1968, Mr. Hertrich became the youngest Ford Dealer in the United States, forming Frederick Ford Mercury in Seaford, Delaware. Today, he is the President of the Hertrich Family of Automobile Dealerships, which includes 20 retail Automotive Dealerships, 3 Collision Centers, and a long-term Leasing Company, ranking them in the top 50 privately owned retail automobile groups in North America.

Fred is also the proprietor of Watercress Farm, a 600-acre nursery in Paris, Kentucky. Under his ownership, 17 graded stakes winners and over 60 graded stakes placed or listed winners have been bred, raised and sold commercially from Watercress Farms. This includes GI winner and champion, Shamardal, GI Breeders' Cup winner Rushing Fall, and GI winners Boys of Tosconova, Diversify, and Street Boss.

Fred is honored to be the current Chairman of the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors working with the current Board and Management Team to help shepherd the vision of maintaining the Breeders' Cup as the leading Thoroughbred race venue and life style event in the world.

## **Roy Jackson**

After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania, Roy Jackson spent most of his business career in Professional Baseball. After a business training program with the Philadelphia Phillies, he was President of the Pacific Coast AAA Baseball League, International AAA Baseball League, and Eastern AA Baseball League. He owned two Minor League franchises, the York Pirates AA Baseball Team in York, Pa. and the Tucson Toro's AAA Baseball Team in Tucson, Arizona.

From 1983 to 2006 he was President of Convest, Inc. representing professional baseball players.

With his wife Gretchen he started Lael Stables in the 1970's and has raced and bred horses in the United States and Europe. Their prominent horses include Kentucky Derby winner, Barbaro as well as Showing Up, Palace Revolt, Ageless, Belle Cherie, You'd Be Surprised in the U.S. and Super Star Leo, Grandera, and having bred George Washington in Europe.

As a member of the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors, Roy has served on the Governance Committee, Sponsorship and Marketing Committee, Investment Committee, Appeals Committee and as Co-Chairman of the Enhanced Experience Committee with Bobby Flay. Roy is committed to representing a wide divergence of views in our sport and helping to make the decisions to make the Breeders' Cup a bigger and better World Championship.

## **Bret Jones**

I was 11-years-old when Lil E. Tee crossed the wire first in the 1992 Kentucky Derby. I made the decision that Saturday that horse racing was going to be my life's work and I am the luckiest guy on this planet that I got to learn the game from my hero, Brereton Jones. I currently am part of the team at Airdrie Stud and my lifetime ambition is to still be saying that 70 years from now. Having made the decision long ago to stake my entire future in the horse industry, it has always been important to me to have a voice in the decisions that are being made that will define its path.

I was first elected as a Breeders' Cup Member in 2010 and have served on the Board of Directors since 2011. It has been one of the great experiences of my life serving on the Breeders' Cup and I believe I've earned the reputation amongst the Board as an independent thinker that passionately stands up for what I believe is the right thing to do for our nominators, our customers and our sport as a whole. In my opinion, the Breeders' Cup currently stands on the firmest ground of my tenure as our event has never offered a better experience to our participants nor been positioned so well financially. Because our financial resources are strong, the Breeders' Cup is in the rare position within our industry to invest in new initiatives that will not only strengthen our brand, but that have the potential to truly elevate horse

racing at large. Some of these initiatives are already in the works and others still lie in the future, but their creation and implementation are absolutely critical to this next chapter of the Breeders' Cup legacy. This organization represents one of the greatest success stories in the history of racing, but I am convinced that it's now positioned for an even more important future. The leadership of our members will be critical to this success and I sincerely hope I can continue to serve the Breeders' Cup during these exciting times.

In addition to my Board responsibilities, it's always been very important to me to be active in our Breeders' Cup committee work. I currently serve on several committees including Racing and Nominations, Finance and Audit, Enhanced Experience, the newly formed Wagering Committee and currently chair the Governance Committee. Outside the Breeders' Cup offices, I'm a proud member of the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission and the Markey Cancer Foundation Board of Trustees and a prouder father of three boys with my wife Tyler.

### **Jak Knelman**

Jak Knelman is the Director of Stallions at Calumet Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Prior to Calumet, Jak worked with Doug Cauthen Thoroughbred Management. He grew up outside of Minneapolis, Minnesota and was always invested in the industry through his parents' Farfellow Farms. The family farm campaigned the likes of (G1) Chelsea Flower and (G2) Enjoy the Moment while also breeding (G1) BC Juvenile Champion Anees, (G1) Lemons Forever, and (G1) Buddha.

After graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Studies at Middlebury College, Jak moved to Kentucky to pursue his love for the thoroughbred industry. At 29 years of age, Jak was the 2017 recipient of the inaugural Godolphin TIEA "Newcomer of the Year" award. He will also be joining the Blue Grass Farms Charities board of directors.

### **Michael T. Levy**

Michael T. Levy Has been involved in the equine industry for over 25 years and is a third generation horseman. Originally from Philadelphia, Michael moved to Lexington after graduating from the University of Pennsylvania in 1990. Michael is the founder of Muirfield Insurance, Inc., a leading equine insurance broker in Lexington. In addition, Michael, and his wife Meg, own and operate Bluewater Farm in Lexington.

Mr. Levy currently serves as a Member of the Breeders Cup and has been an active participant and contributor to various committees including Racing and Nominations, Enhanced Experience, and the newly formed Wagering Integrity committee. Mr. Levy served two terms on the American Graded Stakes Committee and is a past board member of Thoroughbred Charities of America and TOBA. Currently, Mr. Levy is a board member of Limestone Bank, a leading provider of resources for the Equine Industry.

Through involvement with so many sectors within the industry, Mr. Levy brings a wide cross section of experience to face the current and future challenges that face the industry.

## **Tom Ludt**

Tom Ludt is currently Vice President of Operations at Phoenix Thoroughbreds, an international racing investment fund, where he oversees the thoroughbred operations worldwide, purchasing and managing their stock in the USA, Europe, Australia and United Arab Emirates. Since November of 2017 Tom has also sat as Chairman of the Board for HorseCo. with a mission to better the sport with scientific and technological advancements.

From 2013-2015 Tom was President of Santa Anita Park and Sr. Vice President of Racing & Gaming for the Stronach Group. Prior to his relocation to California, Tom was the President of Vinery Farms from 2004-2013 where he oversaw the breeding operations owned by Vinery, recruited numerous stallion prospects and led their Racing Division.

Tom has had a two-year term as Chairman of the Breeders' Cup Board from 2011-2013 and is a current Breeders' Cup Member where he serves on the Enhanced Experience, Sponsorship and Racing and Nominations committees. Tom has also previously held roles on the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission for nine years, served as a Chairman of the International Wagering hub for the KHRA and was a member of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association.

He brings a diversified perspective to the Thoroughbred Breeding and Racing Industry.

## **Gray Lyster**

Gray Lyster was born and raised on Ashview Farm, his family-run operation in Versailles, KY. He studied economics at Vanderbilt University and is the Co-General Manager at Ashview. Gray is a 37 year old owner, breeder, farm operator, agent, and consignor who continues to be hands on with horses on a daily basis. Gray most recently co-bred Champion Breeders' Cup winner, RUNHAPPY and is the current President of the Thoroughbred Club of America. He and his wife, Natalie, have twin boys, Teddy and Bowen.

## **Anthony R. Manganaro**

Mr. Manganaro received a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1967 and an Honorary Doctor of Public Service in 2008 from Northeastern University. In 2012 he was presented with Northeastern University's most prestigious honor, The Presidential Medallion, which has only been presented three times in the school's history.

Mr. Manganaro founded and is the managing partner of Siena Corporation, a commercial real estate company in the Baltimore-Washington-Virginia Corridor and Siena Farm LLC, based in Paris, Kentucky. The 225 acre farm was established in 2006 with his partners Nacho Patino and David Pope as a breeding and racing operation of Thoroughbred horses.

In addition to his business interests, Mr. Manganaro has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Maryland School for the Blind, Envisioning Annapolis Foundation and is a Trustee of Northeastern University, Boston, MA.



## **M.V. Magnier**

MV Magnier oversees the Coolmore operation in both Europe and North America. In that role he attends every major bloodstock sale around the world and is a prominent buyer of 2YO's, yearlings and breeding stock. On behalf of the Coolmore partners he has signed for the likes of Breeders' Cup winner Mendelssohn and European Champion 2YO Air Force Blue while in a partnership of his own he raced dual Grade 1 winner Dubawi Heights.

## **Pope McLean, Jr.**

McLean is a co-owner and the business manager of his family's 900 acre Crestwood Farm. A breeder for over 30 years, McLean is co-breeder of Champion XTRA HEAT and recent G1 winner Bowie's Hero. In addition to his current role as President of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association/Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders, McLean also serves on Keeneland's board and its executive committee.

## **Julio Menditeguy**

Owner and operator of Haras Abolengo which is one of the major breeding operations in Argentina which was founded in 1966.

The farm currently stands seven stallions and all Abolengo stallions are always nominated to the Breeders' Cup.

Breeder of many champions as Candy Ride, Vale Dori, Dulcia and recently named dual champion Care Lady. President of the Argentine Breeders' Association

## **Gavin Murphy**

Gavin Murphy graduated with degrees in economics and law from the University of Queensland. Gavin moved to Sydney in 1990 to continue his legal career and transferred to New York in 1992 with his wife Catherine where they have lived ever since. Gavin launched SF Bloodstock as an internationally focused bloodstock investment company in 2008.

## **Garrett O'Rourke**

Garrett O'Rourke was born in Ireland in 1963, where his father Willie was a veterinarian and later Managing Director of Tattersalls Ireland. O'Rourke moved from Ireland to Kentucky in 1986 and initially worked for Ashford Stud. He then left to manage Creek View Farm from 1988-1992. O'Rourke has managed Juddmonte Farms since 1992.

In 2001 Garrett was awarded Kentucky Farm Manager of the Year and has helped form and is the Past President of the Kentucky Equine Management Internship which attracts and coaches future farm management. He has also served on the boards of Gluck Equine Research Center, TOBA and the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association (KTA-KTOB)

O'Rourke graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce degree from University College Dublin in 1985. He currently resides in Kentucky with his wife Rhonda, an equine veterinarian, and their two daughters Ella and Aine.

### **Daisy Phipps Pulito**

Daisy Phipps Pulito has had a longtime involvement in Thoroughbred breeding and racing and is currently the part owner and racing manager of the Phipps Stable.

The family's stakes winners through the years have included, among others, Personal Ensign, Easy Goer, Heavenly Prize, My Flag, Storm Flag Flying, Smuggler, Seeking The Gold and, most recently, Point of Entry and 2013 Kentucky Derby winner Orb.

She also serves a member of the board of directors of the Grayson-Jockey Club research foundation, Keeneland, The Thoroughbred Club of America and the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame.

Previously, she served in a variety of television production capacities through the years with CBS Sports, The Golf Channel and NTRA/Breeders' Cup.

Pulito lives in Lexington, KY with her husband David and two children.

### **Mike Pons**

Mike and his brother, Josh, own and operate both Country Life Farm, and Merryland Farm, located eight-miles apart in Maryland. Country Life is home to current leading Maryland sire, Friesan Fire, as well as four other stallions: Freedom Child, Super Ninety Nine, Mosler and Divining Rod. Merryland features a five-eighths mile training track.

Mike is past president of the Maryland Horse Breeders Association and the Maryland Million Ltd. He is often at the races in Maryland, and frequently attends the Triple Crown and Breeders Cup races, as well as most horse sales in Kentucky, New York, and Maryland.

He and his wife, Lisa, have three children: Philip, Elizabeth and David.

### **Amanda Pope**

A horse lover since childhood, Mandy Pope is a horse owner, farm owner, and commercial breeder who has dedicated the last 25 years of her life to the Thoroughbred business.

In the name of her Florida-based Whisper Hill Farm, Ms. Pope has assembled a high-end broodmare band that includes the likes of Horse of the Year Havre de Grace, Kentucky Oaks winner Plum Pretty, and champions Groupie Doll and Songbird.

In addition to her famous broodmares, Ms. Pope is invested in all aspects of the Thoroughbred industry, including stallions, young horses, and a racing stable that has participated in the Breeders' Cup.

Ms. Pope's goals extend beyond winning races and producing beautiful foals. Her passion for horse health has led her to fund equine research relating to diet, gastric ulcers, soft-tissue injuries, and heart analysis.

Ms. Pope holds a degree in Business Administration from Purdue University and serves as a founding board member and vice chairman of the Pope Foundation.

## **Dan Pride**

Dan Pride was born in Nashville, Tennessee. He graduated from the University of Georgia and moved to South Carolina, where he became a history teacher and administrator at Hammond School. He was introduced to Kip Elser, the father of one of his students, who was a 2-year-old Thoroughbred consignor, and from there his interest in the Thoroughbred industry developed. He hot-walked horses for John Servis one summer before moving to Lexington, where he has worked for Equisource, Vinery, Taylor Made and Fasig-Tipton.

Dan joined Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum's Darley at Jonabell in 2002 as the Director of Stallion Operations and was appointed Chief Operating Officer in 2006. He then went on to serve as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Fasig-Tipton from 2008 to 2014 before reprising his former role at Darley in 2014. Darley was then merged into Sheikh Mohammed's Godolphin operation, and it now serves as one of the largest breeding and racing operations in the world.

## **Hunter Rankin**

Hunter Rankin is the President of Kevin Plank's Sagamore Farm and Sagamore Racing. In this role, Mr. Rankin oversees and guides the racing team and all farm operations. Prior to Sagamore Racing, Hunter was the Executive Vice President of Sagamore Development, a personal real estate investment company which began in 2013 with a vision to elevate Greater Baltimore through investment, waterfront revitalization, entrepreneurship, and global engagement. Before joining the Sagamore team, Mr. Rankin was a partner at the Sterling G. Thompson Co., a privately held insurance company based in Louisville, KY, Mr. Rankin's native city.

## **Dean Reeves**

Dean Reeves is Chairman and Co-Owner at Reeves Young, an Atlanta-based commercial contracting company started by his father in 1952. Dean graduated from Georgia Tech with a degree in Business Management, where he also played college basketball.

In 1992, Dean was a Founder of Gwinnett National Bank and served as Chairman of its Loan Committee. He also was instrumental in forming the North Gwinnett Education Foundation, and served as an assistant Varsity basketball coach for two years at North Gwinnett High School.

In 2009, Dean and his wife Patti formed Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, where they quickly established a Horse Racing stable with their multiple graded stakes winner "Mucho Macho Man." After being the youngest horse to ever run all three legs of the Triple Crown, Mucho Macho Man attained champion status by winning the 2013 Breeders' Cup Classic, under trainer Kathy Ritvo.

Macho Man now stands at Adena Springs Kentucky, and the Reeves continue to own a racing stable with approximately 30 horses in training, racing, and or breeding. Their horses are stabled at Gulfstream Park, Florida, and they travel throughout the year to various other racing facilities. They are also inaugural stakeholders in the Pegasus World Cup, having starters in both 2017 and 2018.

Dean also serves as the President of the Georgia Horse Racing Coalition, a non-profit group whose mission is to work with GA state leaders to pass legislation allowing pari-mutuel wagering in Georgia in order to encourage and support a statewide horse racing industry that will bring jobs, tax revenues and tourism to Georgia communities.

Today, Dean and his wife Patti are members of Gwinnett Church in Suwanee. They have two children: Sarah, who graduated from Auburn University; and William, who graduated from Clemson University and is now the third generation to work for the family business. They also have three grandchildren.

## **Andrew Rosen**

Andrew Rosen is a third-generation New York City garment industry entrepreneur who founded the fashion label, Theory, in 1997. Following the label's acquisition by Japan's Fast Retailing in 2008, he has continued to serve as CEO of Theory and Helmut Lang.

As a mentor to many in the fashion community, Mr. Rosen has endowed scholarships at the Fashion Institute of Technology and Central Saint Martins, and has been an active supporter of the Council of Fashion Designers of American (CFDA)/Vogue Fashion Fund. In 2013, he and the CFDA spearheaded the Fashion Manufacturing Initiative, which provides grants that support the future of garment factories in Manhattan. Mr. Rosen is also a partner in the American fashion labels' Rag & Bone, Alice & Olivia, as well as Veronica Beard and Frame Denim.

Like his father before him, Mr. Rosen is actively involved in thoroughbred horse racing. With a significant racing and breeding operation in Europe and the United States, Mr. Rosen is passionate about the industry and committed to its future.

## **Jaime Roth**

Jaime Roth is a graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a degree in Journalism, as well as a Masters in Sports Business Management from New York University. After years of following Thoroughbred racing as a fan, she decided she wanted to get involved at the business level. In 2012, Jaime and her parents formed LNJ Foxwoods Stables where Jaime helps manage the day-to-day operations. In only 6 short years, the family-owned operation has emerged as a competitive racing outfit in the US and abroad. Jaime also manages all of LNJ's charitable endeavors and is responsible for starting the Horses' First Fund; an emergency fund at the Thoroughbred Charities of America, where she serves as a board member. Jaime is also a board member at the Thoroughbred Women's Network (TWN) a newly formed organization focused on encouraging and supporting all women who wish to have an impact in today's thoroughbred world via networking and mentoring opportunities.

## **Tom Ryan**

Tom Ryan is presently responsible for managing SF Bloodstock's North American and European racing and breeding program. In that role, he has been involved in the acquisition and management of some of the leading stallions and broodmares in those jurisdictions.

Prior to joining SF Bloodstock, Mr. Ryan was a global bloodstock agent having bought and sold racehorses, stallions and broodmares on three continents and has been involved in the industry for the last two decades. Mr. Ryan was born in County Wexford, Ireland and attended Kildalton Agricultural College.

## **Ben Walden**

Ben Walden founded Vinery in 1985, and over the ensuing 13 years, developed into a highly successful stallion and breeding operation. During that stretch, Vinery had 3 Leading Freshman Sires. Though always against the "Shuttling" of stallions, Walden was among the first to expand stallion books beyond traditional numbers. Vinery was also a major player during those years at the Keeneland September Sales, finishing among the top consignors in both number of yearlings sold, and gross sales. After Vinery was sold in 1998, Walden later purchased and developed several farms, including Gracefield, Hurricane Hall, on behalf of Brad Kelley, and more recently Pauls Mill. He, with wife of 30 years, Elaine, and many great partners, have bred over 100 Stakes-Winners, including 2 Champions, and BC Champions Artax and Corinthian. In February, 2018, after more than 30 years in the industry as a sole proprietor, Walden joined Adena Springs as Director of Marketing and Bloodstock Consultant.

## **Bradley S. Weisbord**

Bradley S. Weisbord is the President and Founder of BSW Bloodstock and ELiTE Sales. Additionally, he also serves as the U.S.A. Racing Advisor to Sheik Joann Al Thani of Qatar's Al Shaqab Racing.

A 2007 Graduate of the University of Wisconsin with degrees in Economics and Real Estate, Weisbord began his professional career in the Thoroughbred Industry as Racing Manager for Ahmed Zayat's Zayat Stables, a position which he held for 2 years. During this time, the stable was nominated for the Eclipse Award for Leading Owner (2009) and was headlined by Grade 1 winners A Z Warrior, Eskendereya, Jaycito and Rightly So. Zayat Stables' Nehro was runner-up to Animal Kingdom in the 2011 Kentucky Derby.

In June 2011, he accepted the position of Chief Operating Officer at Team Valor International, the successful global racing syndication founded by Barry Irwin. Weisbord was responsible for both client recruitment and the racing and financial management of the 165-head stable campaigning horses in America, England, France, Italy, Germany and South Africa. Team Valor managed over 300 racing investors during this time and counted Animal Kingdom's win in the \$10 million Dubai World Cup its greatest triumph on the track.

In 2014, Bradley founded BSW Bloodstock, a bloodstock and consulting agency which manages the racing operations of many top owners including Sol Kumin, Al Shaqab Racing and Bobby Flay. Other major clients include leading owners China Horse Club, Mike Dubb, WinStar Farm, Gary Barber, Richard Santulli, Zayat Stables and Adam Wachtel.

Currently, BSW has approximately 400 horses under management and has enjoyed success with 37 Grade 1 victories including victories in the Kentucky Derby (2018), Kentucky Oaks (2018), Preakness (2016/2018) and Belmont Stakes (2016) for their clients.

In July 2017, Weisbord launched a new consignment company, ELiTE Sales, with business partner, Liz Crow. Designed with the concept of a boutique, high-quality consignment focusing on racehorses and breeding prospects only, ELiTE closed its first year of operations as the leading consignor by average in each sale they consigned and grossed a total of \$18.2 million in sales.

## **David S. Willmot**

David Willmot is the owner of Kinghaven Farms. Kinghaven has bred and raced many champions, including two Canadian Triple Crown winners and five Queen's Plate winners. Having bred over 100 stakes winners, Kinghaven has been awarded numerous Sovereign Awards as Canada's leading owner and leading breeder. Kinghaven's colors have been worn in over 200 stakes victories over the years in Canada and the United States.

Mr. Willmot has served as Chairman & C.E.O. of Woodbine Entertainment Group, as President of Harness Tracks of America, Vice President of TRA, director of Breeders' Cup Limited and as a member of the Executive Council of International Federation of Horseracing Authorities. He is a member of The Jockey Club (New York) and the Jockey Club of Canada.

Mr. Willmot has won many awards in the racing industry in North America, including the E.P. Taylor Award from the Jockey Club of Canada, the Mint Julep Cup for outstanding contribution from the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society, the Galbreath Award from the University of Louisville for outstanding entrepreneurship in the Equine Industry and The Messenger Award from Harness Tracks of America. Mr. Willmot was inducted into the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame in 2005.

## **Justin Zayat**

Justin Zayat, of Zayat Stables, has managed over 500 horses including champions such as Triple Crown winner American Pharoah, Kentucky Derby and Preakness runner-up Bodemeister, and Belmont Stakes runner-up and Haskell winner Paynter. Bringing a spark of creativity and youth to the thoroughbred industry, in his decade of experience Justin has managed 14 Grade One winners, won 26 Grade One races and created 25 stallions. An active philanthropist and champion of horse causes, among other accolades Justin was deemed an "Outstanding Alumni" of New York University and in 2017 received the prestigious "Forbes 30 Under 30 Award" in the sports category.