



2024 Member Election
Candidate Biographies

Conrad Bendoroff

Horse racing and the Thoroughbred industry is in Conrad Bendoroff's blood. His parents, Craig and Holly Bendoroff, founded Denali Stud in 1990. Growing up on the sales grounds and the farm, Conrad discovered his passion and affinity for horses at a young age. He graduated from Sewanee: The University of the South with a Bachelor's Degree with Honors in Economics. Having spent time working for trainers John Ward and Hall of Famer Bill Mott, Bradley Thoroughbreds and Arrowfield Stud in Australia, Conrad fulfilled a long-term goal of being accepted to the prestigious Godolphin Flying Start program. Upon completion of the Flying Start in 2017, Conrad realized his life-long dream of returning to Kentucky to join the team at Denali Stud as Vice President. In 2019, Conrad took over the running of day-to-day operations of the farm.

Denali Stud, situated on 800 acres in Bourbon Country, is a perennial leading consignor. Since 1990 Denali has produced or sold 40 Grade 1 winners, including Kentucky Derby winner Animal Kingdom and Belmont Stakes winners Tapwrit and Kentucky Oaks winner Malathaat. Over the years, Denali has established a proven history of raising and selling "Saturday Afternoon Horses" and a proud reputation for conducting business with the highest levels of integrity, honesty, and stewardship of the horse.



Barbara R. Banke

One of the wine industry's top executives and innovators, Jackson Family Wines Chairman & Proprietor Barbara R. Banke has spent the last three decades leading the company she co-founded with her late husband, wine icon Jess Jackson. Today, the Jackson Family's wine portfolio is a global collection of world-class vineyards and wineries, including acclaimed properties in California, Oregon, France, Italy, Chile, Australia, and South Africa.

Banke is a graduate of UCLA and Hastings Law School. As a former land use and constitutional law attorney, she spent more than a decade arguing cases before the United States Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal.

Throughout the last decade, Banke has helmed Stonestreet Farm and the Stonestreet Training & Rehabilitation Center with a guiding focus to breed and develop high quality Thoroughbreds. Stonestreet has bred and raised the winners of more than 125 graded stake races, including Breeders' Cup winners Malathaat and Goodnight Olive.

Stonestreet Stables has captured over 45 grade one stake wins including three Breeders' Cup races. Horses of the Year and Hall of Fame inductees Curlin and Rachel Alexandra, the homebred Eclipse Award winners Good Magic, My Miss Aurelia and Cartier Award-winning Lady Aurelia all carried the maroon and gold silks.

Barbara is diligent in serving many Thoroughbred industry organizations and determined in her pursuit to secure a bright future for our industry.



Boyd Browning

Boyd joined Fasig-Tipton in 1988 and has served as the Company's President since 2008. Prior to that he worked in public accounting for Ernst & Whinney, which is now known as Ernst & Young. Browning is a graduate of Transylvania University.

He has worked closely with several industry groups including the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance, The Race for Education, KEEP, Horse Country and KTA. He currently serves as a Member of the Breeders' Cup Limited.



Doug Cauthen

Cauthen's principal occupation is running Doug Cauthen Thoroughbred Management LLC with his wife Katie. Primary clients include Three Chimneys Farm, Lael Stable, Peter Blum, Whisper Hill Farm, Bill Casner, and Woodslane Farm.

Cauthen graduated from the University of Kentucky with both a law degree and an equine marketing and management degree.

Cauthen serves on the TOBA executive committee.



Matt Dorman

Matt Dorman is a Maryland native and is President of Determined Stud and Determined Stables, a Lexington, KY-based breeding and racing operation. Matt was introduced to racing early by his father, a long-time Maryland State Senator.

Matt earned his MBA in finance from the University of Maryland and a B.A. in political science from the University of Delaware. He successfully founded, grew, and sold the second largest Behavioral Health Enterprise software company in the U.S. Prior to starting Credible Behavioral Health, Dorman managed a \$40 million e-commerce division for Lockheed Martin. Prior to Lockheed, he worked in the private sector managing turn-arounds and providing investment banking and management consulting.

In 2010, leveraging great memories of attending the races with his father, Matt bought into a claimer to learn firsthand how Thoroughbred ownership works. Building that experience into D Hatman Thoroughbreds and later Determined Stud and Determined Stables, Matt now oversees a broodmare band focused on breeding and racing. Matt understands bringing new ownership and new fans into our sport, and the importance of providing a quality product, and is steadfastly committed to the Thoroughbred industry.



Craig Fravel

Following the 2019 Breeders' Cup World Championships at Santa Anita Park, Craig Fravel returned to California as CEO of the racing assets of the Stronach Group, including Golden Gate Fields, Gulfstream Park, Laurel, Pimlico, Rosecroft, and Santa Anita. Fravel undertook this new challenge following a rewarding and highly successful run as President and CEO of Breeders' Cup Limited, the international championships of Thoroughbred racing, from 2011 through 2019. His tenure at the Breeders' Cup followed 21 years managing the daily operations of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and serving as a leader of various Thoroughbred industry organizations.

During Fravel's time at Del Mar, the racetrack experienced unprecedented growth as a national leader in daily average attendance and wagering at its world-renowned summer meeting by the Pacific Ocean just north of San Diego. Fravel oversaw the \$80 million reconstruction of the track's grandstand in 1992-93, and the \$9 million installation of a new engineered racing surface, which was completed in 2007. He was also a driving force in enhancing the customer experience of a day at the races and incorporating a program of music and entertainment at Del Mar while helping to increase its reputation as one of the most popular international venues in sports.

While at Del Mar and the Breeders' Cup, Fravel emerged as a leading Thoroughbred racing industry figure, serving in an advisory capacity for a number of organizations. In California Fravel served as Chairman of Southern California Off-Track Wagering, Inc., Chairman of the statewide California Marketing Committee and President of the Federation of California Racing Associations. He also served on the board of Equibase, the official provider of racing data for the Thoroughbred industry in the U.S., and while at the Breeders' Cup as a member of the board of the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities.

Fravel currently serves on the boards of the Permanently Disabled Jockey's Fund, the Southern California Equine Foundation, and the Dolly Green Research Foundation. He has served as a director of the national Racing and Medication Testing Consortium and the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, where he previously served as Chairman. He is a member of The Jockey Club and served on its Board of Stewards from 2011 until 2015. He chairs the Jockey Club's Thoroughbred Safety Committee. While at the Breeders' Cup Fravel played an instrumental role in the drafting and ultimate passage of the Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Act of 2020, a critical milestone in reforming the regulatory infrastructure of Thoroughbred racing on a national basis.

Fravel joined the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club as its Executive Vice President in 1990 after working as a partner in the San Diego law firm of Luce, Forward, Hamilton and Scripps, specializing in corporate law and finance, where he represented Del Mar. He was named President and General Manager of Del Mar in March of 2010, President and CEO of the Breeders' Cup in 2011, and CEO of 1st Racing and Gaming in 2019. He was appointed Executive Vice Chairman of 1st Racing and Gaming in 2023.

Fravel is a 1982 graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law and a cum laude graduate of Bucknell University in 1979. Fravel and his wife Cathie have a daughter, Ireland, two dogs, three cats, and a badly behaved bunny.



Eric Gustavson

Eric has been a proud member of the family operation at Spendthrift Farm since 2006 - first as Marketing Director, then as President. Upon the death of legendary founder B. Wayne Hughes in 2021, Eric and his wife Tamara took over as Owner/Operator of the storied stud farm, with the commitment to carry on in the traditions Mr. Hughes had established while also bringing their own style of management, innovation and dedication to customer service.

Eric has overseen Spendthrift's extensive growth from one homebred stallion, to currently having the largest roster in North America. That roster includes current five-time Champion General Sire Into Mischief, Goldencents – sire of the 2024 Kentucky Derby winner Mystik Dan – as well as an abundance of top prospects retired to stud in the last several years, including Champions Authentic, Jackie's Warrior and Forte. While employing a "We, not me" team philosophy, Eric feels a blessing of responsibility and stewardship to the farm and to the industry.



Bret Jones

Bret was elected a Breeders' Cup Member in 2010 and has served on the Board of Directors since 2011. He currently Co-Chairs the Racing and Nominations Committee and serves as Chair of the Governance Committee. A 2004 graduate of Sewanee University, Bret oversees operations at his family's Airdrie Stud, a leading Thoroughbred nursery in Midway, KY. In addition to his role on the Breeders' Cup, Bret also serves on the Board of Directors of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, the Keeneland Advisory Board, and the Board of Trustees for the Markey Cancer Foundation. He became a member of the Jockey Club in 2023 and served on the Kentucky Racing Commission from 2016-2020.

Bret lives in Lexington, Kentucky with his wife Tyler and their four children: B, Jack, Thomas, and Wende.



Gray Lyster

Gray Lyster was born and raised on Ashview Farm, a family-run operation in Versailles, KY. He studied economics at Vanderbilt University and is the General Manager at Ashview.

Gray is a 43-year-old owner, breeder, farm operator, and consignor who continues to be hands-on with horses on a daily basis. Gray most recently co-bred Grade 1 winners Nest and Mo Donegal as well as Champion Breeders' Cup winner Runhappy.

He and his wife, Natalie, have twin boys, Teddy and Bowen, and a daughter, Lucy.



Clem Murphy

Clem Murphy has been involved in the Thoroughbred industry for over 40 years, principally as a bloodstock consultant. He joined Coolmore in 1978, having spent six years with the international accounting firm Price Waterhouse. While there, Murphy gained an accounting qualification through its audit department located in Dublin, Ireland.

Murphy has seen Coolmore develop its Irish base in Tipperary to become an international player with racing and breeding operations in Europe the United States and Australasia. He is a regular participant at all major yearling and breeding stock sales around the world on behalf of Coolmore.

Murphy has represented John Magnier, Michael Tabor, and Derrick Smith on the Breeders' Cup Board for several years and is presently Co-Chairman of the Breeders' Cup Racing and Nominations committee.

"Coolmore is fully committed to the Breeders' Cup, but we strongly believe that if it describes itself as the World Championships then it needs to have the world's best racehorses taking part. Other racing jurisdictions from Australia, Japan, Hong Kong and the Middle East are attracting the best racehorses by offering substantial purses," Murphy said. "The Breeders' Cup has the financial resources to substantially increase prize money and we believe by doing so it will attract more of the best horses to the event."



Maria Niarchos-Gouazé

Maria I. Niarchos-Gouazé has been active in the international Thoroughbred industry for over 40 years. She is currently a Member of Breeders' Cup Limited, an honorary member of the English Jockey Club and a member of the U.S. Jockey Club. In 2021, she was the recipient of the Longines and IFHA International Award of Merit.

Famille Niarchos/Niarchos Family/Flaxman Holdings was relaunched in the 1970s by Stavros S. Niarchos, a successful owner in England in the 1950s. He was helped since the early 1980s by his daughter, Maria.

In France, Stavros S. Niarchos was the leading owner in 1983, 1984 and leading breeder in 1989. Famille Niarchos was leading breeder in 2002, leading owner in 2004 and continues to be successful at the highest level on both sides of the Atlantic.

Notable horses campaigned by the family include *chef de race* Nureyev and his daughter Miesque, first winner of two consecutive Breeders' Cup Mile races, two Eclipse Awards, champion filly at 2, 3 and 4 in Europe and a member of the Racing Hall of Fame. She was dam of East of the Moon and *chef de race* Kingmambo, whose daughters include Divine Proportions and Light Shift. Other Grade/Group I horses are Northern Trick, Bago, Hernando, Sulamani, Machiavellian, Dream Well, Hector Protector, Coup de Genie, Magic of Life, Aruna, Chimes of Freedom and her son, Eclipse Award winner Aldebaran.

Famille Niarchos/Flaxman Holdings' homebreds have won a record six Breeders' Cup Miles with Miesque (1987, 1988), Spinning World (1997), Domedriver (2002), Six Perfections (2003), and Karakontie (2014). Also in 2014, Main Sequence won the Breeders' Cup Turf.

More recently, the family colors were carried to Group I success by Erupt (2015 Grand Prix de Paris, 2016 Pattison Canadian International), Senga (2017 Prix de Diane), Ulysses (2017 Eclipse and 2017 Juddmonte International), Alpha Centauri (Irish 1000 Guineas, Coronation Stakes, Falmouth Stakes and Prix du Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard, all in 2018), Study Of Man (2018 Prix du Jockey Club), Albigna (2019 Prix Marcel Boussac), Circus Maximus (2020 Queen Anne Stakes), Alpine Star (2020 Coronation Stakes), and Discoveries (2021 Moyglare Stud Stakes).

“My family has been involved with Breeders' Cup Limited since its inception,” Niarchos-Gouazé said. “I believe the Breeders' Cup is the true global championship. I look forward to continuing to serve the Breeders' Cup and enhancing its global presence.”



David O'Farrell

David O'Farrell serves as General Manager of Ocala Stud, the farm that his grandfather, Joe O'Farrell, started in 1956 and currently the oldest active Thoroughbred farm in the state of Florida. The farm is among the leading stallion, breeding, and training operations in the nation and sells its entire crop each year at the 2-year-old in training sales. The farm currently stands nine stallions, owns approximately 50 broodmares, and breaks approximately 150 yearlings each year for clients in addition to the farm's crop. Ocala Stud sold its first entire crop of juveniles in 1958, a tradition that the farm continues to this day.

Ocala Stud has bred and sold more than 160 stakes winners to date and was named TOBA's 2012 National Breeder of the Year.

David is involved in all aspects of Ocala Stud's operations including breeding, training, 2-year-old sales consignment, stallion management, stallion season sales, stallion recruitment, broodmare acquisition, advertising, and more.

He also is the Chairman of TOBA and serves on the Board of Directors of Ocala Breeders' Sales, Co., NTRA, BloodHorse, & IRPAC. He also serves on the American Graded Stakes Committee.

David and his wife Allison have three children, Maggie (15), Annie (13), & John (11).



Bill Oppenheim

Bill Oppenheim is considered one of the industry's leading analysts of stallion performance and the auction marketplace. He has been professionally active in the Thoroughbred industry for over 45 years. In 1979 he moved to Lexington and ran his fortnightly subscription newsletter, Racing Update, which operated completely independently of advertising, and pioneered innovations as diverse as analysis by sire crop, and barn order lists for use at sales. He sold Racing Update in 1995. He has since been a columnist for Thoroughbred Daily News and BloodHorse and is now co-publisher of the Stallion Spectator Ratings (SSR) books and Thoroughbred Market Report monthly PDF, and works as a private consultant on industry matters. He was elected as a Breeders' Cup Member in 2008, and served on the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors from 2013-2017.



Bernie Sams

Bernie has been involved in the Thoroughbred industry for over 40 years in many different capacities. He started off working directly with yearlings and stallions both domestically and abroad before transitioning to management positions.

In the mid-1980's, Bernie went to work for Matchmaker Breeders Exchange, followed by Gainesway Farm and Reynolds Bell Thoroughbred Services as a bloodstock agent and dealing with stallion seasons and shares.

Bernie is currently the Bloodstock Director and Syndicate Manager at Claiborne Farm, a position he began in 2003. Claiborne Farm has been one of the leading Thoroughbred Farms for the past 110 years.

He lives in Lexington, KY with his wife and three children.



Alex Solis II

Alex Solis II is a partner at Solis/Litt Bloodstock. He is a third-generation horseman, following in the footsteps of his Hall of Fame father, jockey Alex Solis, and his grandfather, Bert Sonnier, a leading trainer who campaigned the likes of champions Nodouble and Meadowlake. Alex grew up at the racetrack and has worked with some of the finest horsemen in the industry like Richard Mandella, Bruce Headley, Mel Stute in California, and John Hall at Taylor Made Farm. Alex also served as the Director of Bloodstock at Gainesway Farm under Brian Graves.

With a BA in Finance from Cal Poly Pomona in 2007, Alex embarked on his journey in the bloodstock industry. His early successes include acquiring multiple Grade 1 winner Daytona and the promising Kentucky Derby contender The Pamplemousse. In 2010, he partnered with Kentucky agent Jason Litt to establish Solis/Litt Bloodstock, recognized for its full-service management and access to elite trainers.

Under Alex's leadership, Solis/Litt Bloodstock has expanded globally, offering services like trading stallion shares and managing breeding and racing portfolios. Alex's achievements have earned him recognition as one of 'The Forty under Forty in the Thoroughbred Industry' by Thoroughbred Times, with features in leading industry publications and media outlets such as Thoroughbred Daily News, TVG, HRTV, the LA Times, and BloodHorse.

Since 2016, Alex has served on the Board of the Breeders' Cup and is an active member of the TOBA Graded Stakes Committee, contributing to the sport's premier championship event and shaping the landscape of horse racing.

Notable successes in Alex's career include two-time Breeders' Cup winner Mizdirection, Kentucky Derby victors Country House and Mage, and esteemed champions Covfefe and Shared Belief.

Alex resides in Lexington, KY, with his wife Brittany and their three sons. Outside of his professional endeavors, he enjoys golfing and travel, and is an all-around sports enthusiast.



Edward (Ned) Toffey

Ned Toffey has been involved in the Thoroughbred industry as a fan, groom, manager, and breeder for most of his life. He graduated from the University of Massachusetts with a B.S. in Sport Management before pursuing a career in the industry. After gaining experience as a groom and working his way up through the ranks he ran a small farm in New York and then served as Broodmare Manager at both Dixiana and Three Chimneys Farms.

In 2004, B. Wayne Hughes asked him to run his newly acquired Spendthrift Farm, where he continues to serve as General Manager. During that time the farm's stallion roster has grown to the largest in North America, at 27 stallions, with stud fees ranging from \$5,000 to \$250,000. Spendthrift has bred mares and/or stood stallions in Australia, Canada, California, New York, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Louisiana, and has raced Thoroughbreds in nearly every state in America where the sport is conducted.

Mr. Toffey currently serves on several industry boards including the Kentucky Thoroughbred Farm Managers' Club, the KTA/KTOB, and the Maxwell H. Gluck Equine Research Center, having previously served on the Thoroughbred Charities of America board.



Elliott Walden

Elliott is a third-generation horseman from a noted Kentucky family entrenched in Thoroughbred breeding and racing. He is the son of the late Ben Walden, Sr., formerly of Dearborn Farm. His brother, Ben Walden Jr., is also a noted horseman in Kentucky who has established several successful breeding operations – most notably Vinery.

Elliott took out his trainer's license in 1985 and was a three-time leading trainer at Churchill Downs, as well as two-time leading trainer at Keeneland. Walden rose to the pinnacle of the sport in 1998 when he trained Belmont Stakes winner Victory Gallop who returned at 4 to win both the Whitney Handicap and the Stephen Foster Handicap and was named Eclipse Champion Older Horse in 1999. Elliott finished 1999 ranked #3 in the nation with his career-best season earnings of \$7.2 million.

In July 2005, Elliott changed roles, going from private trainer to Racing Manager within the WinStar organization. In December of 2005, Walden was elevated to the role of Vice President of WinStar Farm where he was responsible for management oversight, both on and off the farm. In November of 2010, Elliott was promoted to President and CEO of WinStar Farm. Notwithstanding his expanded role at the farm, he remains deeply involved in the management of racing operations. Under his leadership, the farm has grown to over 2600 acres, 600 horses, expanded the stallion roster and campaigned 26 graded stakes winners, including Triple Crown champion, Justify.

Since 2012, Elliott has served as a Breeders' Cup Board Member, being elected as a Director in 2013. He has been chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee and supported the Breeders' Cup racing program through many WinStar partnerships. He values the tremendous influence of Breeders' Cup and remains committed to making a difference in the Thoroughbred racing industry.



Barry Weisbord

After attending the University of Pennsylvania, Weisbord began his racing career working on the backstretch for trainers Allen Jerkens and Walter Kelley in 1972. He took out a trainer's license in 1974, operating a small stable in the Northeast before turning to bloodstock management with the creation of Executive Bloodstock Management Corp. in 1979.

In the ensuing years, he co-established the Matchmaker Breeders' Exchange, and served as architect and president of the American Championship Racing Series. In 1993, he purchased a controlling interest in the Thoroughbred Daily News, moving it from Kentucky to New Jersey. It developed into the most influential and widely read daily Thoroughbred eNewspaper with an audience of over 1.75 million unique worldwide readers annually. Weisbord retired as Publisher and CEO in 2018.

In 2023, Weisbord was introduced to Trakus, a cutting-edge tracking technology originally applied to ice hockey. Becoming Chairman, Weisbord oversaw the company's transition to horse racing, producing revolutionary graphics and data. After being successfully deployed in many leading racetracks worldwide, Trakus was forced to close when Equibase pursued a cheaper technology.

A Philadelphia native, Weisbord has owned and bred racehorses, and has been a commercial thoroughbred breeder for over 40 years. He continues to operate a small racing stable, mostly in the New York and New Jersey area, highlighted by his co-ownership of 1989 Eclipse-Award winning sprinter and 1990 Breeders' Cup Sprint winner Safely Kept, who was inducted into the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame in 2011. He is also an active participant in stallion investment and stallion portfolio management.

In June, 2008, he was elected to the board of the Breeders' Cup Limited Members and Trustees and co-chaired the Enhanced Experience Committee through the 2015 event at Keeneland. He is currently still a member of the Enhanced Experience, Marketing, Racing, and Governance Committees.



Aron Wellman

At the age of 8, Aron Wellman convinced a local Southern California trainer to allow him to tag along to the backside of Del Mar. From 4:30 a.m. the next morning until he graduated from Law School at the age of 24, Wellman worked every summer for trainers, starting by mucking stalls, to walking hots, to becoming the groom of Vielle Vigne, the winner of the Grade 2 Chula Vista Stakes in 1991 (at age 14) and ultimately serving as an assistant trainer.

Wellman graduated from the University of California Santa Barbara in 1999 after having played four years of Division I collegiate soccer. From there, Wellman attended Southwestern University Law School and graduated in 2002. He passed the California Bar Exam that summer and set out on a path in the legal profession where he practiced as a trial attorney for a boutique litigation defense firm in Los Angeles.

While practicing law, Wellman dabbled in forming racing partnerships and after a few years of considerable success, left his law practice at the beginning of 2008 to become the Vice President of Team Valor. After 3 1/2 years as the Vice President of Team Valor, during which time the stable won a Breeders' Cup race in 2010 and the 2011 Kentucky Derby, Wellman struck out on his own and launched Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners.

Since its inception, Eclipse has become an industry leader in the partnership space, having Won 139 Black Type races, including 26 Grade 1 events. Eclipse has won Classics in the United States (2017 Belmont Stakes with Tapwrit) and Australia (2017 Australian Oaks with Pinot) as well as the Group 2 Queen Mary at Royal Ascot.

In 2019, Eclipse combined with Antony Beck's Gainesway Stable to capture the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf with Sharing and in 2021, Eclipse won the Breeders' Cup Sprint with Aloha West.

Eclipse has become much more active on the breeding scene in recent years, currently holding interests in three Kentucky-based stallions and maintaining a broodmare band of approximately 20 mares. In 2023, Eclipse campaigned no less than four homebred winners and has already had a 2-year-old homebred winner in 2024 at Keeneland.

In 2013, when the legendary Cot Campbell hung up his tack, Eclipse formed a joint venture with famed Dogwood Stable.

Wellman resides in Rancho Santa Fe, California with his wife Talya, daughter Sadie (16), and son Jack (12).



Jacob West

As a Kentucky native, Jacob's passion for Thoroughbred racing has deep roots. He has worked in several aspects of the horse industry, cultivating a unique skill set for identifying valuable bloodstock opportunities.

Upon graduating from the University of Kentucky in 2008 with a degree in Economics, Jacob joined Taylor Made Farm as a groom in the broodmare division. Motivated and career driven, Jacob recognized the importance of starting at the ground level. The Taylor family recognized his superior horsemanship skills and quickly advanced Jacob to barn foreman, then divisional yearling manager before being promoted into the office as a Buyer Account Manager. During his tenure with Taylor Made, Jacob managed all aspects of his clients' investment portfolios, including public and private acquisitions, breeding, and racing management. He also gained hands-on experience working under the decorated trainer Chad Brown at the Gulfstream Park championship meet.

In 2016, Jacob joined Three Chimneys Farm as the Director of Bloodstock Services. He simultaneously managed both the private and public sales acquisitions of the farm's bloodstock while growing Three Chimney's client base.

In 2017, Jacob joined Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners as the Vice President of Bloodstock and launched West Bloodstock. Jacob has traveled extensively — domestically and internationally — to personally identify the most talented racehorses available.

In 2021, Jacob was appointed as the United States Representative for Goff's Sales Company. In 2022, Jacob and partner Jill Gordon launched the Highgate Sales Consignment to service clients in public sales representation.

In 2024, Jacob was named to be the Stallion Seasons and Bloodstock Manager at Claiborne Farm.

Jacob's attention to detail is meticulous, and he is recognized throughout the industry for his ethics and loyalty to his clients. Jacob's horse conformation skills and distinct ability to identify potential in all sectors of the industry sets him apart from his peers. He is a prominent face in the next generation of horsemen and is passionate about the well-being of both our equine athletes and those who take care of them.

Jacob lives in Lexington, Kentucky.

