

James L. Gagliano
President & COO
The Jockey Club

James L. Gagliano became president and chief operating officer of The Jockey Club, the breed registry for Thoroughbred horses in the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico, on January 1, 2010. He had served as executive vice president and chief administrative officer for The Jockey Club since June 2005.

Prior to joining The Jockey Club's management team, Gagliano served as executive vice president of Magna Entertainment Corporation's Maryland racing operations, where he was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Maryland Jockey Club. He also served as president, MEC OTB, and group vice president, MEC Northern Group. Before that, Gagliano served as executive vice president and general manager of Greenwood Racing Inc. and worked in various roles during a 10-year stint with the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority.

Since October 2010, he has served as vice chairman representing the Americas for the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities' Executive Council. Over the course of his career he has served on board of the American Horse Council (for which he was elected chairman in 2018), the Thoroughbred Racing Associations of North America, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, Equibase Company, BloodHorse LLC, and the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance. He has also been a committee member of the Humane Society of the United States National Horse Racing Advisory Council and the International Forum for the Aftercare of Racehorses.