

Christopher K. Kay
President and Chief Executive Officer
The New York Racing Association Inc.

Christopher Kay was named president and CEO of The New York Racing Association Inc. (NYRA) in 2013.

Before coming to NYRA, Kay served as chief operating officer for The Trust for Public Land, where he oversaw the operations of the land conservation organization's headquarters and 37 field offices. Prior to that, Kay was a consultant to Universal Parks & Resorts, serving as its managing director of international business development.

From 2001-2006, Kay served as the chief operating officer for Toys 'R' Us, and prior to that he was the retailer's executive vice president of operations and general counsel. Kay was also a minority owner of Orlando's AA baseball team and a member of the ownership group that sought to obtain the first MLB franchise in Florida.

Under Kay's leadership, NYRA won the Street & Smith's Sports Business Journal "Sports Event of the Year" award for the 2015 Belmont Stakes.

Kay is a graduate of the University of Missouri and the Duke University School of Law.