Three Chimneys Farm

- Majority owner is the Borges Torrealba family of Brazil, led by chairman Gonçalo Borges Torrealba; he and his wife and young son now live in Kentucky.

- The Borges Torrealba family acquired controlling interest in Three Chimneys in November 2013. The partnership sprang from Gonçalo Borges Torrealba’s 25-year acquaintance with Robert Clay, who founded Three Chimneys in 1972, is co-owner of the farm and serves as one of six directors. The farm is additionally guided by Vice Chairman Doug Cauthen and President Case Clay, Robert’s son.

- Borges Torrealba had been in the Thoroughbred business in Brazil for more than 20 years, with occasional forays in the United States. He entered the US market in a major way at the November 2012 Fasig-Tipton and Keeneland sales, purchasing $8 million in mares. He breeds for auction, both to generate cash and to explore partnerships. He buys horses at auction or privately, in partnership or alone; a guiding principle is breeding, buying and racing prospects that will mature into successful stallions or produce successful stallions.

- In 2015, Three Chimneys sold yearlings and 2-year-olds that collectively brought more than $12 million. In 2016, the operation bred or co-bred three yearlings that topped the $1 million mark at Keeneland September. The first crops from stallions Will Take Charge and Strong Mandate hit the market in November.

- The Borges Torrealba family owns Grupo Libra, which operates shipping terminals in São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. The family also runs the highly regarded Stud TNT Thoroughbred farm in Rio Grande do Sul, described as the personal project of Gonçalo Borges Torrealba.

- Vice Chairman Doug Cauthen helped establish and was president of WinStar Farm from 2001 to 2010. He next formed Doug Cauthen Thoroughbred Management and consults for Aaron and Marie Jones, Casner Racing LP, Siena Farm, Peter Blum, Lael Stable and Dixiana Farm as well as Three Chimneys.

- Director Robert Clay is president and CEO of Clay Holding Company of Midway, Ky. The other directors are Borges Torrealba’s daughters Ana Borges Torrealba Affonso and Celina Borges Torrealba Carpi and brother Rodrigo Torrealba; Dr. Stephen Jackson, expert on equine nutrition and physiology and president and owner of both Bluegrass Equine Nutrition and Jackson Purchase Farm in Versailles, Ky.; and Everett Dobson, managing partner of the NBA’s Oklahoma City Thunder and CEO of Dobson Technologies, a telecommunications
company. President Case Clay worked a year at the Irish National Stud and Arrowfield Stud in Australia following six years in Chicago, where he worked for Arlington Park, Hyatt Corp. and Ernst & Young.

- Three Chimneys’ first Breeders’ Cup contender was Rainha Da Bateria, who finished off the board in the 2014 Juvenile Fillies Turf. For 2016, the farm expects to send multiple graded stakes winner Carina Mia to the Breeders’ Cup Filly and Mare Sprint. The farm also owns half interests in multiple graded stakes winner Gun Runner, under consideration for the Classic or the Dirt Mile, and graded stakes winner Made You Look, expected in the Juvenile Turf.

- Three Chimneys purchased Carina Mia for $410,000 out of the 2014 Keeneland September Sale. Trained by Bill Mott, she is 4-3-1 in nine starts and earned Grade 1 status in the 2016 Acorn. Gun Runner, third in the 2016 Kentucky Derby (G1), was purchased privately. He is trained by Steve Asmussen and is 5-2-1 in 10 starts. Made You Look was purchased for $360,000 out of the 2015 Keeneland September sale. Trained by Todd Pletcher, he won the 2016 With Anticipation Stakes (G2) to go 2-1-0 in three starts. (All stats through October 16, 2016.)

- Three Chimneys horses are trained by Asmussen, Mott, Pletcher, Chad Brown, and D. Wayne Lukas.

- Three Chimneys Farm is also noted as Three Chimneys Farm LLC in Equibase. Together the entities account for 17 wins, 13 seconds and 13 thirds from 91 starters and purse earnings of $2,021,193.

- The Three Chimneys entities have also raced in partnership with Bridlewood Farm, Besilu Stables, Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, Joann and Alex Lieblong, Let’s Go Stable, Lael Stables, Willis D. Horton, Green Hills Farm Inc., Dogwood Stable, Anthony Ramsden and Borges Torrealba Holdings. Altogether their partnerships count additional purse earnings of nearly $3.6 million.