

NATIONAL LAW

**Gray/roan colt by Constitution – Susie's Baby by Giant's Causeway
\$250,000 purchase at the 2023 Keeneland September Yearling Sale**

Breeder: Diamond Creek Farm (Kentucky)

Birth date: April 23, 2022

Owner: Colts Neck Stable

Trainer: Jorge Duarte, Jr.

Jockey: Irad Ortiz, Jr.

Lifetime Record: 5 2-0-0

Lifetime Earnings: \$70,525

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- Last out finished fourth in Monmouth Park's NYRA Bets Pegasus Stakes on a sloppy/sealed track June 14. Fellow Haskell runners Bracket Buster and Wildncrazynight were the winner and runner-up, respectively, of that test at 1 1/16 miles.
- Two starts back he kicked off his sophomore season with a win in an optional claimer at Pimlico May 1.
- National Law received national attention when graduating from the maiden ranks in the third and final start of his 2-year-old season at Parx Dec. 3.
- Paco Lopez, his rider that race, was later suspended when video surfaced of the jockey whipping him repeatedly on the neck past the wire. The rider received a 46-day suspension from the Horse Racing Safety and Integrity Authority (HISA).
- The colt's name derives from his father, Constitution.

BREEDING

- Sire Constitution, a dual Grade 1 winner, ranks among the top five general sires for 2025.
- Constitution sired dual Grade 1 winner Mindframe, the runner-up in the 2024 Haskell. He also sired Tiz the Law. At the ages of 2 and 3 Tiz the Law captured four Grade 1 races, including the 2020 Belmont.
- Constitution, who stands at WinStar Farm, is known for being the sire of colts and fillies who win stakes on dirt and turf, going short or long.
- National Law's paternal grandfather is super sire Tapit, one of the most influential breed-shaping stallions of the past 50 years, who has sired 34 individual Grade 1 winners to date.
- National Law's maternal grandfather, Giant's Causeway, is legendary in North America and Europe as a racehorse and a sire.
- Giant's Causeway is a five-time Grade 1 winner in Europe and European Horse of the Year.
- Giant's Causeway was a three-time leading North American Sire.
- National Law's dam, Susie's Baby, won a maiden special weight in her 13-race career.
- She has produced six foals of racing age, five to race. Her most successful offspring to date is Family Way. The \$1 million earner is a graded stakes winner who was Grade 1-placed multiple times.

COLTS NECK STABLE

- Richard Santulli is the owner of Colts Neck Stables. The farm, which includes a training track, is located near Monmouth Park in Colts Neck, N.J.
- Colts Neck Stables is a prominent breeder, with the broodmare band boarded in Kentucky at Ashview Farm.
- A decades-long partnership with the Lyster Family's Ashview produced several Grade 1 winners.
- Horses bred by them include the winner (Mo Donegal) and the runner-up (the filly Nest) in the 2022 Belmont.

- Until 2010 Santulli was the co-owner of Jayeff B Stables, a multiple Grade 1-winning operation.
- Under the Jayeff B banner Santulli has two previous Haskell starters, both in 2006: Victory Lake (4th) and Awfully Smart (6th).
- The most celebrated horse of the Jayeff B operation is the crackerjack champion sprinter Safely Kept, conditioned by the now-retired private trainer Alan Goldberg.
- She finished second in the 1989 Breeders' Cup Sprint (Grade 1) but was still voted the champion sprinter, a feat more impressive as at that time the Eclipse Award category was not separated into male and female divisions.
- Safely Kept came back the next year and won the 1990 Breeders' Cup Sprint.
- She retired with a \$2.1 million bankroll.
- Santulli and his wife, Peggy, are ardent supporters of Thoroughbred aftercare and provide safe homes for products of their breeding program.
- The Santulli Family Foundation is a generous supporter of the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation.
- Santulli founded the Milestone Aviation Group in 2020 and is its chairman.
- He is best known for pioneering fractional jet ownership and created NetJets in 1986. Twenty-five years later he sold NetJets to Warren Buffet's Berkshire Hathaway.
- He is the former chair of Loan Value Group.
- He has been a board member of the Breeders' Cup, a steward of The Jockey Club, and a trustee of the New York Racing Association.
- He is a philanthropist and supporter of many charitable organizations.
- The Brooklyn-born Santulli holds a bachelor's and master's degree in mathematics and a master's degree in industrial engineering from New York University plus an honorary doctorate from Ohio State University.

JORGE DUARTE, JR

- Haskell record: First starter
- Born: in Colombia. Age 40
- The trainer, who notched 424 winners in the U.S. as a jockey, is the son of retired (1995) rider Jorge Duarte, Sr.
- He rode races in Colombia at age 14 and in Panama at age 15.

- He is the private trainer for Colts Neck Stable.
- As a jockey he rode for Colts Neck's previous private trainer, Alan Goldberg.
- He also spent four years in Saudi Arabia riding for Nicholas Bachalard, who trained for King Abdullah.
- Goldberg hired him in 2014 first as the foreman and then as his assistant.
- The plan was for him to get his feet wet and learn the ropes and then take over the position when Goldberg retired to become the Colts Neck racing manger.
- In 2019 when Goldberg, who had been in the post for three decades, was easing into retirement Duarte, Jr. took over the string in South Florida. Then he was promoted to take over the operation entirely.
- He is a multiple graded stakes placed trainer with about a handful of horses stabled at Monmouth Park. The rest of his stable is bedded down at nearby Colts Neck Stables farm.
- In 2024 he volunteered for the Thoroughbred Makeover Project to support former charges Town of Gold, In the Loop and Am Prepared.
- In 2020 he survived a dangerous episode of Covid-19 that necessitated a hospital stay and took months from which to recover.

IRAD ORTIZ, JR.

- Born Aug. 11, 1992, 1971 in Trujillo, Puerto Rico.
- Haskell record: 1 0-1-0
- Finished second in 2024 on Mindframe for Hall of Famer Todd Pletcher.
- Is a five-time Eclipse Award winner as Outstanding Jockey (2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023).
- Has won 20 Breeders' Cup races.
- In March 2025 became the only rider in the history of Gulfstream Park to top the standings for six championship meets.
- In 2023 became the only rider to win seven straight races at Gulfstream. He tied the record with four others for seven wins on a single card.
- Brother, Jose, is a top jockey also and won the Eclipse Award in 2021. Jose is one year younger.
- Grandfather Irad Oriz and uncle Ivan Ortiz were jockeys in Puerto Rico.

- At age 16 entered Puerto Rico's Escuela Vocacional Hipica jockey school.
- After graduation started riding professionally on New Year's Day 2011 in Puerto Rico at Hipodromo Camarero.
- Won the Copa Navidad (Grade 1) as an apprentice.
- Came to the U.S. in June 2011 to ride on the New York circuit and brother Jose followed in 2012. They made an immediate impact.
- Has led all North American jockeys or finished in the top three in earnings and wins for the last 10 years.
- Has won multiple riding titles on the New York circuit.