TEAM VALOR SHAKES OFF 2YO SALES' RUST TO BUY \$600,000 JUVENILE COLT JESSICA BERRY LANDS WELL-BRED, WELL-CONFORMED COLT ON ONE BID GREY FROM FIRST CROP OF CONSTITUTION (G1 FLORIDA DERBY/G1 DONN)



On one well-timed \$600,000 bid from Jessica Berry taking a cue on her cell phone from Barry Irwin, Team Valor was successful in landing the only horse it tried to buy at Wednesday's boutique sale of 2-year-olds in training conducted by Fasig-Tipton Co. at Gulfstream Park.



Named Gouverneur Morris, the \$600,000 purchase reflects the name of his sire Constitution, from whose first crop the 2-year-old hails. Gouverneur Morris was a Founder and writer of the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution. Todd Pletcher will train the colt, which was sent to WinStar Farm in Kentucky.

The colt is being syndicated for \$720,000, reflecting a 20 percent mark-up of his purchase price. He hails from the female family of Frosted and Midshipman. Barry Irwin thought his breeze was superb, which is what prompted TVI's CEO to buy a male at a juvenile sale in American in more than a decade.