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Beechcraft Delivers 4,000th Model 36 Bonanza



Beechcraft Corporation today held a special ceremony to deliver the 4,000th Model 36 Beechcraft Bonanza: a G36 owned by Segall Group of Baltimore, Md. The Bonanza is the longest continuously produced aircraft in history and more than 18,000 Model 35, 33 and 36 units have been delivered since 1947.

During today's ceremony at the company's Customer Delivery Center in Wichita, Beechcraft CEO Bill Boisture presented the Bonanza G36 featuring a commemorative N4000L tail number to Segall Group, a retail brokerage firm based in Baltimore, Md. "We welcome Segall Group to the Beechcraft family and proudly present the keys to the 4,000th unit of our Model 36 Bonanza," Boisture said. "As first-time business aircraft owners, Segall Group looked for the latest technology and cabin refinements in an airframe with proven performance and reliability – their research led them to our current production G36."

Segall Group will use the aircraft to conduct site visits and client meetings while developing shopping centers and brokering real estate deals in the mid-Atlantic region for national retail and restaurant companies. The company's chief pilot is José R. Santana, who also serves as associate vice president of Retail Sales & Leasing. Two other executives are also pilots: CEO Andrew G. Segall and Chairman Mark S. Segall.

"For several years we've leased aircraft for specific trips throughout the mid-Atlantic that would be impossible to make efficiently if driving or flying commercially," Santana said. "A business aircraft is a tool that adds flexibility and gives us the capability to expand our geographic footprint and our services. As our transportation needs grew and we began taking clients with us on site visits, we realized ownership was the next step. We looked for an airplane that matched the feel of our brand and our image, and the Beechcraft Bonanza is the top-of-the-line aircraft in its category with an outstanding reputation. The G36 has the handling characteristics and robust avionics to give us confidence in flying our employees and our clients, and the spaciousness and quality of the cabin really won us over."

The Bonanza G36 is a six-seat piston aircraft with a cabin almost a third larger than its nearest competitor. Powered by a 300-horsepower Continental IO-550-B engine with a Hartzell three-blade aluminum alloy propeller, the Bonanza G36 has a maximum cruise speed of 202 miles per hour (176 knots), maximum range of more than 860 nautical miles, 860-pound maximum payload and 18,500-foot service ceiling. The glass cockpit features Garmin G1000® avionics and a Garmin GFC 700 3-Axis Autopilot/Flight Control System.

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