

session to fill vacancy). LOCAL OFFICE: justice, St. Mary's County, sitting 1699/1700. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, 1717; colonel, by 1726. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: by March 5, 1730/31. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £256.11.0 (including 3 servants); FB, estate overpaid £14.12.0.

BAKER, NATHAN (?-?). BORN: of age by 1743. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Charlestown, Cecil County, 1775. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Nathan Baker (?-1729), of Cecil County, merchant; son of Henry Baker (?-ca. 1700), a Quaker, who immigrated in 1684 to Bucks County, Pennsylvania, from Lancashire, England, became a large landowner and was a burgess for Bucks County, Pennsylvania, in 1685, 1687, 1688, 1690, and 1698. MOTHER: Sarah, daughter of Jeremiah Collet, of Chester, Pennsylvania. BROTHERS: *Henry Baker* (ca. 1710-1768); Jeremiah. SISTER: Mary, who married Job Ruston. NEPHEWS: *Jeremiah Baker* (ca. 1748-1813); *Francis Baker* (?-?). MARRIED on January 12, 1736/37, Joyce Yardley. CHILDREN. DAUGHTER: Elizabeth. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1759. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: a miller, in partnership with Jethro Browne, 1748-1765. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Cecil County, 1763 (elected to the 2nd session to fill vacancy). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Cecil County, 1741—at least 1758 (quorum, 1754—at least 1758); churchwarden, St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil County, in office 1743; St. Mary Anne's Parish Vestry, Cecil County, in office 1748-1751, 1755-1758, 1761-1764, and 1765; justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Cecil County, commissioned 1750 and 1759. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, by 1755. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: inherited a gristmill on the Northeast River, Cecil County, in 1754 from his deceased business partner, Jethro Browne, as well as half of Browne's estate. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: probably 193 acres in Cecil County, plus one-half of the real estate of his business partner. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: after 1778; size of estate unknown.

BAKER, WILLIAM (ca. 1749-1812). BORN: ca. 1749. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Frederick County, 1774-1776; Montgomery County, 1778; Prince George's County, 1779; Alexandria, Virginia, 1787; "The Lodge," Prince George's County, 1790-1807; Georgetown, D.C., 1812. MARRIED first, by 1778 Mildred Hanson (ca.

1746-by 1796), daughter of *Samuel Hanson* (1716-1794). Her brothers were *Samuel Hanson, of Samuel* (ca. 1752-1830); Thomas Hawkins Hanson (1750-1810). Her sisters were Chloe, who married *George Lee* (ca. 1736-?); Sarah; Nancy; Eleanor, who married *Henry Henley Chapman* (?-1821); Anne; and Elizabeth. MARRIED second, by 1796 (name unknown). CHILDREN. SONS: Samuel Hanson (1773-?); Philip Thomas (1775-?); and William, Jr. (1782-?). DAUGHTERS: Nancy (1777-?); Chloe (1784-?); and Eleanor (1785-1796). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: trained as a doctor. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: physician; land speculator. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Convention, Frederick County, 1st, 1774 (appointed, but did not attend); Lower House, Prince George's County, 1796. LOCAL OFFICES: Committee of Observation, Frederick County, elected 1775; justice, Montgomery County, commissioned 1778, Prince George's County, 1788—at least 1792, 1799—at least 1800. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: manumitted one female slave in 1796, because she had borne him "a numerous family." WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £752.0.10, including 33 slaves and 34 oz. plate, 1793; assessed value £285.2.1, including 9 slaves and 24 oz. plate, 1807. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 6,417 acres in Prince George's County and Franklin County, Georgia, including 707 acres of confiscated British property, 1775-1801; sold 5,730 acres by 1801, 4,600 acres of this was in Franklin County, Georgia, and comprised 4 large tracts. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: in 1812 in Georgetown, D.C.; size of estate unknown.

BALDRIDGE, THOMAS (?-ca. 1655). BORN: probably in England. IMMIGRATED: probably in 1635, definitely by 1637, possibly as an indentured servant. RESIDED: in St. Mary's County; moved to Virginia by 1650. FAMILY BACKGROUND. BROTHER: James (?-1654), who married Dorothy (?-1662). MARRIED Grace, who subsequently married Maj. John Tew. CHILDREN. SONS: James (?-1664), who married Elizabeth; William. PRIVATE CAREER. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: possibly arrived as a servant, certainly of low social status; his role in Ingle's Rebellion probably accounts for his removal to Virginia. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: possibly a servant; planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Assembly, present 1637/38, St. Michael's Hundred, St. Mary's County, 1640-