

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican; his grandfather, father, and brother were Anglican clergymen. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: he visited England on several occasions, most importantly in 1715; he was a close ally of Gov. John Hart, who bestowed considerable patronage on him; he was a patron of the poet Ebenezer Cooke, who wrote "An Elegy on the Death of Thomas Bordley, Esq." OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: placeman, by 1703–1721; became a leading lawyer in the colony, admitted to the following courts: Provincial Court in 1704; Anne Arundel County Court in 1709; Court of Chancery by 1712; Prince George's County Court in 1712. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Annapolis, 1708B–1711 (Accounts 2–4), Anne Arundel County, 1715 (Laws), Annapolis, 1716–1718 (Laws 1–3), 1719 (Laws 1; appointed to Council between the 1st and 2nd sessions); Upper House, 1720–1721 (appointed by the 2nd session; discharged by the 5th session); Lower House, Anne Arundel County, 1722–1724 (Laws 1; Aggrievances 3); 1725–1726 (Laws 1–3; Aggrievances 1–3; died before the 4th session). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: clerk, Secretary's Office and Provincial Court, 1703–1707; clerk, Committees of the Lower House, 1704, 1706, 1714; clerk, Prerogative Office, 1708–1712; surveyor general, Western Shore, 1717–1718; attorney general, 1718–1721; commissary general, 1718–1721; Council, April 1720–September 1721. LOCAL OFFICES: clerk, Anne Arundel County, 1703–1708; St. Anne's Parish Vestry, Anne Arundel County, 1712–1715, 1718–1722; recorder, Annapolis, 1721–1726. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: acquitted in 1704 by the Lower House of a charge of contempt for his refusal while clerk of Anne Arundel County to release the county's book of laws; removed from the Anne Arundel County clerkship in 1708 by *Philemon Lloyd* (ca. 1674–1732/33), for which Bordley went to court in an attempt to regain the office; he became a leader of the popular or "country" party against the proprietary interests in the early 1720s; he incurred the anger of Charles Calvert in 1721, which brought his dismissal from the Council; he espoused publicizing the action of the Assembly by printing the legislative proceedings; he edited *The Charter of Maryland, Together with the Debates and Proceedings of the . . . Assembly . . . 1722, 1723, 1724* (Philadelphia, 1725), and was instrumental in bringing the printer William Parks to Annapolis in 1726. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: at least 500 acres. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on October 11, 1726, in England. PERSONAL PROPERTY: FB, £3,179.14.8 sterling,

£1,964.17.3 current money (including 19 slaves, 6 servants, and 100 law books). LAND: over 7,500 acres.

**BOREMAN (BOARMAN), WILLIAM** (ca. 1630–1709). BORN: probably in England. IMMIGRATED: by 1645 as a free adult. RESIDED: in St. Mary's County. MARRIED first, by 1651 Sarah (?–ca. 1669). MARRIED second, Mary, daughter of *Thomas Mathews* (ca. 1622–1675/76). MARRIED third, Mary, daughter of *John Jarbo* (1619–1674/75). She subsequently married by 1712 John Sanders. CHILDREN. SONS: William, Jr. (1654–1720), a justice of St. Mary's County from 1679 to 1689, who married first, Jane, daughter of *James Neale* (ca. 1615–1684), and second, Mary, daughter of *Joseph Pile* (?–1692); Francis Ignatius; John Baptiste (1687–?), who married Elizabeth Edelen; and Benedict Leonard (1687–?), who married Ann. DAUGHTERS: Mary, who married first, John Gardiner, son of *Luke Gardiner* (1622–1674), and second, Gerard Slye (1654–by 1703), son of *Robert Slye* (ca. 1628–1670/71); Anne, who married Leonard Brooke (?–1718), son of *Baker Brooke* (1628–1678/79); Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Hammersly; Clare, who married first, Richard Brooke, and second, Richard Shirbin; Mary, who married Robert Greene, son of *Thomas Greene* (?–ca. 1651/52); and Sarah, who married first, Thomas Mathews (?–1676/77), son of *Thomas Mathews* (ca. 1622–1675/76), and second, Thomas Mudd. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Catholic. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: low status on arrival; no land until the late 1650s; Gent., by 1665. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: a mariner in the 1640s; planter; Indian trader; land speculator. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, St. Mary's County, 1671–1674/75 (Laws 4). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, St. Mary's County, 1663/64–1664, 1666–1668, 1675/76–1679 (quorum, 1675/76–1679); coroner, St. Mary's County, 1671; sheriff, St. Mary's County, 1679–1683. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, 1661; major, by 1676. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: closely allied with the Calverts; fined 1,000 pounds of tobacco in 1656 for supporting the Calverts at the Battle of the Severn; rewarded for his support with extensive patronage in the 1660s. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 3,000 acres, 1671; 5,117 acres by 1673; 6,050 acres by 1675. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: by July 11, 1709. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £332.4.0 sterling (including 8 slaves and 1 servant); FB, £273.10.10. LAND: probably 7,500 acres.