

**CURRER (CURRIER), WILLIAM** (ca. 1739–1784). BORN: on February 28, ca. 1739, in St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil County; third son. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Cecil County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: John Currer. MOTHER: Sarah. BROTHERS: Thomas (ca. 1724–?); Michael (ca. 1727–?); and John (ca. 1747–?). SISTERS: Mary (1722–?); Elizabeth (ca. 1729–?); Sarah (ca. 1731–?); and Catharine (ca. 1733–?). MARRIED on July 17, 1774, Mary, daughter of Empson Bird (?–1787) and wife Susanna. Mary subsequently married John Harford, of Montgomery County. Her brothers were George; Thomas, who was underage in 1786. Her sisters were Margaret, who married (first name unknown) Gordon; Susanna. CHILDREN. DAUGHTER: Sarah (1775–by 1783). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., 1779. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: innholder, 1770; probably a planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Conventions, Cecil County, 5th, 1775, 6th–8th, 1775–1776 (elected to the 6th Convention, but did not attend). LOCAL OFFICE: North Elk Parish Vestry, Cecil County, in office 1779–1782. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £568.0.0, including 7 slaves and 40 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 486 acres in Cecil County (129 acres possibly inherited from his uncle). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 129 acres in Cecil County in 1775; he acquired an additional 379 acres in Cecil County by 1783. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on March 17, 1784, in Cecil County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, at least £568.0.0 current money (including 7 slaves and 40 oz. plate). LAND: possibly ca. 736 acres in Cecil County.

**DAFFIN, CHARLES** (?–1794). BORN: in St. Mary's County, of age by 1775. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in St. Mary's County; Dorchester County, June 1775; Bay Hundred, Talbot County, December 1775; Caroline County, 1778; River District, Caroline County, 1783. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: George Daffin (?–probably by 1758), of St. Mary's County. MOTHER: Susannah, widow of William Aisquith (?–ca. 1741), son of *William Aisquith* (?–1719). BROTHERS: *Joseph Daffin* (?–1796); John; and George. HALF BROTHERS: William Aisquith (?–1804); Thomas Aisquith (ca. 1740–ca. 1770). HALF SISTERS: Mary Aisquith (?–by 1770), who married (first name unknown) Piercy; Ann Aisquith, who

married Nicholas Sherwood; and Susannah Aisquith, who married David Hellen. MARRIED in 1775 Mabel (?–1796), widow of both (first name unknown) Ridgway and Risdon Bozman (?–1774); daughter of Philip Sherwood (?–ca. 1789), of Talbot County. Her brother was Nicholas. Her sisters were Frances, who married John Stevens; Deborah, who married Joseph Yates; and Elizabeth, who married Theophilus Marshall. CHILDREN. SONS: Capt. Thomas B., who married Rebecca (?–1812), daughter of *Henry Dickinson* (?–1789); Joseph G., who married Elizabeth; and Charles (?–by 1801, in his minority). STEPSON: William Ridgway. DAUGHTER: Susannah, who married Francis J. Wilson, of Queen Anne's County. STEPDAUGHTER: Sarah Ridgway (?–1798), who married *William Ennalls Hooper* (?–1795). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Caroline County, 1779–1780, 1782–1783 (elected, but did not attend). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Caroline County, 1779–at least 1785 (out of the county), commissioned 1793 and 1794; justice, Orphans' Court, Caroline County, 1781–at least 1785. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: 26 slaves, 1776; assessed value £1,165.0.0, including 20 slaves and 60 oz. plate, 1783; 37 slaves, 1790; paid a debt of £754.0.0 owed by the estate of his wife's former husband who had been cosecurity on an unpaid bond, thereby attaining the right to collect from the other two securities or their heirs. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,052 acres in Caroline and Talbot counties (771 acres through his marriage, 281 acres by purchase), plus a 99-year lease in Dorchester County, acreage unknown, held with his brother *Joseph Daffin* (?–1796). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: held the same 99-year lease, but in his name only, 1786; acquired an additional 373 acres in Talbot County through his marriage, by 1783; purchased or resurveyed at least 218 acres in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot counties between 1786 and 1791; sold at least 12 acres in Dorchester County between 1787 and 1790. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: administration bond granted November 19, 1794, in Caroline County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £2,283.16.9 current money (including 30 slaves and books); FB, £145.2.5. LAND: at least 1,496 acres in Talbot, Caroline, and Dorchester counties.

**DAFFIN, JOSEPH** (?–1796). BORN: probably in St. Mary's County, of age by 1775. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Dorchester