

who married William Ridgley, son of William Ridgley; Catherine (1745–1804), who married Benjamin Warfield; Sarah (1747–?), who married Vachel Warfield; Amelia, who married Samuel Riggs; Henrietta (?–1798), who married William Hobbs; and Ariana, who married Samuel Owings. MARRIED Jane Kennedy, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. CHILDREN. DAUGHTER: Elizabeth, who married Dr. Thomas W. Johnson. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: trained as a lawyer. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, All Saints' Parish, Frederick County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., 1796. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, admitted to the Frederick County bar in 1785. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Frederick County, 1789 (Laws to Expire), 1792. OTHER STATE OFFICE: clerk, Senate, elected 1783, resigned 1789. LOCAL OFFICES: churchwarden, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel County, elected 1776; justice, Frederick County, in office 1796; Maryland Senate elector, Frederick County, elected 1796. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £380.0.0, including 2 slaves in Upper Fork and Bearground hundreds, Anne Arundel County, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 420 acres in Anne Arundel County (inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 257 acres in Frederick County, plus 1 lot in Frederick Town, Frederick County, 1801. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on November 28, 1818, in Frederick County. LAND: possibly 677 acres in Anne Arundel and Frederick counties, plus 1 lot in Frederick Town.

DORSEY, THOMAS (?–1790). BORN: in Anne Arundel County, of age by 1762; second son. NATIVE: fifth generation. RESIDED: in Huntington Hundred, Anne Arundel County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Basil Dorsey (1704–1763), of Anne Arundel County, a planter. MOTHER: Sarah (1715/16–?), daughter of *Thomas Worthington* (ca. 1691–1753) and wife Elizabeth Ridgely. UNCLES: *Edward Dorsey* (1718–1760); *Brice T. B. Worthington* (1727–1794); and *Nicholas Worthington* (1734–1793). AUNT: Mary Dorsey (1725–ca. 1787), who married *John Ridgely* (?–1771). BROTHERS: Caleb (1734–1763); Dennis (?–1788). SISTERS: Sarah, who married John Burgess; Ariana, who married Thomas Sollers; Eleanor, who married *Upton Sheredine* (1740–1800); and Elizabeth, who married Ephraim Howard Jr., of Frederick County. FIRST COUSINS: *Harry Dorsey Gough* (ca. 1745–1808); Achsah Dorsey (1746–1799), who married

Ephraim Howard (1745–1788); Rebecca Dorsey (1739–1812), who married *Charles Ridgely* (1733–1790); Eleanor Dorsey (ca. 1739–1805), who married *John Hall* (1729–1797); Mary Dorsey (?–1816), who married *John Weems* (1727–1794); *Charles Ridgely, of John* (?–ca. 1787); Deborah Ridgely (1749–1817), who married *John Sterett* (1750/51–1787); Mary Ridgely (?–1804), who married *Benjamin Nicholson* (?–1792); *John G. Worthington* (1764–1797); and Catherine Worthington (1761–1814), who married *Baker Johnson* (1747–1811). MARRIED first, Elizabeth, daughter of Col. Henry Ridgely (?–1750) and wife Elizabeth Warfield; niece of Elizabeth Ridgely (?–1734), who married *Thomas Worthington* (ca. 1691–1753). Her brothers were Greenberry (1726–?); *Henry Ridgely* (1728–1791); Nicholas (?–died young); Benjamin (1732–?); Joshua (1734–?); Charles G. (1735–?); Thomas (1740–?); and Nicholas G. (1742–?). Her sisters were Catherine (1723–ca. 1751), who married Philemon Dorsey (1714–1772); Anne (1725–?), who married *Brice T. B. Worthington* (1727–1794); and Sarah (1745–?), who married *Charles Greenbury Griffith* (1744–1792). Her niece was Anne Dorsey (1740–1795), who married *John Dorsey* (1734–1779). MARRIED second, on June 21, 1761, Elizabeth (1745–1815), daughter of Judge Nicholas Ridgely, of Delaware. CHILDREN. SONS: Daniel (1757–?), who married Eleanor Dorsey; Archibald; Theodore, who married Elizabeth Dorsey; and Nicholas. DAUGHTERS: Mary, who married in 1788 in Baltimore County Samuel Norwood; Elizabeth Ridgely, who married Benjamin Berry; Juliet, who married in 1801 in Baltimore County William Hawkins; Harriet, who married in 1803 in Baltimore County John Berry; and Matilda, who married in 1814 in Baltimore County John Sullivan. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1763; Esq., by 1777. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter, 1763; merchant; land speculator. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Conventions, Anne Arundel County, 1st, 1774, 2nd–3rd, 1774, 5th, 1775. LOCAL OFFICES: Queen Caroline Parish Vestry, Anne Arundel County, in office 1762; justice, Anne Arundel County, 1768–1778 (appointed, but did not qualify in 1778); Committee of Observation, Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, elected 1774 and 1775; commissioner of tax, Anne Arundel County, 1777–1782; purchasing agent, Anne Arundel County, appointed 1778. MILITARY SERVICE: colonel, Elk Ridge Battalion, Anne Arundel County Militia, by 1777. WEALTH DUR-