

ICES: justice, Provincial Court, 1726–1744 (quorum, 1732–1744); judge, Assize Court, Eastern Shore, 1731—at least 1739; naval officer, Pocomoke, 1733–1740 (resigned); Council, 1738–1744 (qualified on May 15, 1738); judge, Land Office, 1738–1744; major general, Eastern Shore, commissioned 1742. LOCAL OFFICES: clerk of Indictments, Somerset County, appointed 1723/24; ranger, Somerset County, appointed 1724/25; justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Somerset County, commissioned 1736, 1742, and 1743; churchwarden, St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, elected 1740. MILITARY SERVICE: lieutenant colonel, militia, by 1727; colonel, by 1729. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 709 acres in Somerset County (all inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: acquired 2,270 acres in Accomack County, Virginia, through his marriage, by 1726–1731; purchased or patented at least 3,715 acres in Somerset County between 1726 and 1742; owned one-eighth of 823 acres as a partner in the firm of Col. Levin Gale & Company, 1728; inherited 280 acres in Somerset County from his mother, 1736; sold 1,223 acres in Somerset County by 1743. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on April 24, 1744, in Somerset County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £9,078.18.5 current money (including 43 slaves, 416 oz. 15 dwt. 17 gr. silver plate, 5 gold rings weighing 12 dwt. 5 gr., books; and the ironworks property, which included 1 servant and 1 schooner); FB, estate overpaid £527.15.0. LAND: at least 3,481 acres in Somerset County, plus one-eighth of 823 acres in Somerset County, which belonged to the partnership of Col. Levin Gale & Company, plus 2,270 acres in Accomack County, Virginia.

GALE, LEVIN (ca. 1730–1791). BORN: ca. 1730, probably in Somerset County; only son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Somerset County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Capt. Matthias Gale (?–1748), a merchant of Somerset County, son of *George Gale* (1671–1712). MOTHER: Margaret Gordon, of Virginia. UNCLES: *Levin Gale* (ca. 1704–1744); *George Gale* (?–ca. 1772); and *John Gale* (?–ca. 1744). MARRIED on February 20, 1755, his first cousin Leah Littleton, daughter of *Levin Gale* (ca. 1704–1744). CHILDREN. SONS: Robert, who married Jane; Littleton (?–1815), who married Margaret (1774–1848), daughter of *Henry Hollyday* (ca. 1725–1789); *George Gale* (1756–1815); and Levin (?–by 1806). DAUGHTER: Leah Littleton, who married Samuel Wilson. PRIVATE

CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: attorney, admitted to Somerset County Court in August 1754; merchant, by 1766, in partnership with *John Stewart* (?–?) and *Henry Jackson* (?–1795) between at least 1774 and 1787; officeholder. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Somerset County, 1756–1757 (elected to the 5th session to fill vacancy), 1757–1758 (Bills of Credit 1), 1758–1761 (Bills of Credit 1), 1768–1770 (Grievances 3), 1771, 1773–1774 (elected, but did not attend). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICE: riding surveyor, Pocomoke, 1763–1776. LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Somerset County, 1766—at least 1777 (quorum, 1766—at least 1777); trustee for the Nanticoke Indians, in office 1768; Somerset Parish Vestry, Somerset County, in office 1769, elected 1779 (fined £20 for refusing to serve), in office 1783 and 1787; justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Somerset County, commissioned 1770, 1771, and 1772; commissioner of tax, Somerset County, 1777–1779; justice, Orphans' Court, Somerset County, commissioned 1777; judge, Court of Appeals for Tax Assessment, Somerset County, appointed 1786. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £5,583.0.0 current money, including 51 slaves and 708 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: at least 2,462 acres in Somerset County and Virginia, plus 1 lot in Princess Anne, Somerset County (inherited at least 170 acres in Somerset County from his father; acquired at least 2,270 acres in Virginia through his marriage in 1755). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 2,270 acres in Virginia, 1759; purchased 1,731 acres in Somerset County and inherited an unspecified number of acres in Somerset County from his uncle *George Gale* (?–ca. 1772) between 1766 and 1772; deeded or sold 480 acres in Somerset County between 1778 and 1786; charged with 2,412 acres in Somerset County, plus 1.5 lots in Princess Anne, 1783; purchased 1,000 acres in Somerset County, 1785. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on October 9, 1791, probably in Somerset County. LAND: at least 3,412 acres in Somerset County, plus 1.5 lots in Princess Anne, Somerset County.

GALLOWAY, BENJAMIN (1752–1831). BORN: in 1752 at his family's home on the West River, Anne Arundel County; third son. NATIVE: fifth generation. RESIDED: in Rhode River Hundred, Anne Arundel County, until ca. 1796 when he moved to Washington County, settling in Elizabeth Town (later called Hagerstown). FAMILY