

(Manufactories 1); 1780–1781 (elected to the 1st session to fill vacancy; Grievances 1; resigned on May 25, 1781). LOCAL OFFICES: sheriff, Charles County, 1744–47, 1749–1750; justice, Charles County, 1755—at least 1778 (quorum, 1769—at least 1778); justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Charles County, commissioned 1772; justice, Orphans' court, Charles County, commissioned 1777 and 1778; judge, court of appeals, appointed under the Act to Procure Troops for the American Army, Charles County, appointed 1778; subscription officer, Continental Loan Office, Charles County, appointed 1779. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: provided for the care, schooling, and manumission of his slaves in his will. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £1,321.0.0, including 25 slaves and 69 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 5,225 acres in Charles and Frederick counties (ca. 370 acres inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: gave at least 283 acres in Charles County to his son Thomas in 1776, and 1,770 acres in Charles County to his son *Samuel Hanson, of Samuel* (ca. 1752–1830) between 1776 and 1779. Hanson purchased approximately 227 acres in Charles County and sold 423 acres in Charles County. He apparently also divested himself of his land in Frederick and Montgomery counties prior to his death. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on November 25, 1794, in Charles County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £3,498.8.5 current money (including 26 slaves); FB, £439.1.8. LAND: 2,005 acres in Charles County. IDENTIFICATION PROBLEMS. The legislative service and officeholding attributed to *Samuel Hanson* (1716–1794) was the result of an analysis of records pertaining to the six men of that name living in Charles County during the period 1774–1784. However, these conclusions cannot be positively verified. See also the profiles of *Samuel Hanson, Jr.* (?–1817) and *Samuel Hanson, of Samuel* (ca. 1752–1830).

HANSON, SAMUEL, JR. (?–1817). BORN: in Charles County, of age by 1759; second son. NATIVE: fourth generation. RESIDED: in Port Tobacco Parish, Charles County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Maj. Samuel Hanson (1705–1749), son of *Robert Hanson* (ca. 1680–1748) and wife *Benedicta*; a justice of Charles County from 1736 to at least 1747/48 (quorum, 1741—at least 1747/48). MOTHER: Mary (?–ca. 1759), daughter of *John Fendall* (1674–1734) and wife *Elizabeth*. HALF AUNTS: *Dorothy Hanson* (1721–1752), who mar-

ried *Richard Harrison* (?–1780); *Mary Hanson*, who married *Daniel Jenifer* (?–1795). BROTHERS: *Robert*; *Josias* (?–1764). SISTERS: *Elizabeth*; *Benedicta* (?–1790); *Mary*; *Dorothy*; and *Martha* (?–1765). FIRST COUSINS: *Philip Richard Fendall* (?–?); *Sarah Fendall* (ca. 1732–1793), who married *Thomas Contee* (ca. 1729–1811); and *Josias Beall* (ca. 1725–1803). MARRIED first, by 1759 *Margaret* (?–by 1793). MARRIED second, ca. 1793 *Sarah*, widow of *Basil Beall* (?–1792). CHILDREN. SONS: *Samuel* (?–ca. 1823), a physician and justice of Charles County from 1799 to 1801 and in 1803, who married *Elizabeth Fendall*, daughter of *Thomas Marshall* (?–1801); *John Beall*, who married *Elizabeth Marshall*. DAUGHTERS: *Margaret Beall*, who married *John Fendall Beall*; *Charity Fendall Noble*; *Mary Fendall*, who married (first name unknown) *Cawood*; *Elizabeth Beall*, who married (first name unknown) *McPherson*. STEPSONS: *William Beall*; *Benjamin Beall*. STEPDAUGHTERS: *Elizabeth Duvall*; *Elinor MacGill*; and *Mary Beall*. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1759. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Charles County, 1778 (elected to the 3rd session of the 1777–1778 Assembly to fill vacancy; discharged on June 17, 1778, for serving as a field officer at the time of his election). MILITARY SERVICE: second major, Upper Battalion, Charles County Militia, appointed 1776; called major, 1783. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £324.10.0, including 5 slaves, 1783; 34 slaves, 1798. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: probably 1,192 acres in Charles County (82 acres by purchase; ca. 1,100 acres inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: assessed for 860 acres in Charles County in 1783; deeded 800 acres in Charles County to his son *Samuel* in 1797; assessed for 513 acres in 1798. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between September 21 and October 15, 1817, in Charles County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: inventory totaled \$10,262.00 (including 29 slaves, plate, and books). LAND: about 250 acres in Charles County. IDENTIFICATION PROBLEMS. There were at least six *Samuel Hansons* of age in Charles County between 1774 and 1784. At least three of these men were known as “junior.” The *Samuel Hanson* dismissed from the 1777–1778 General Assembly was referred to in the proceedings of that Assembly as both “junior” and “major.” After an analysis of the records pertaining to all of the *Samuel Hansons*, this service was assigned to *Samuel Hanson* (?–1817), but it can not