

becca Tilghman (?–1725), who married *Simon Wilmer* (ca. 1656–1699). Her brothers were *Edward Tilghman* (1713–1785); *James Tilghman* (1716–1793); *William Tilghman* (1711–1782); *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790); Philemon (1704–ca. 1724); and Richard (1705–1768). Her sisters were Mary (1702–ca. 1736), who married *James Earle, Jr.* (ca. 1694–1739); Henrietta Maria (1707–1771), who married first, *George Robins* (1697–1742), and second, *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760). Her first cousins were *Lambert Wilmer* (1682–1732); *Simon Wilmer* (1686–1737); *Edward Lloyd* (1711–1770); *Richard Lloyd* (ca. 1717–1786); Dorothy Blake, who married *Charles Carroll* (1691–1755); Henrietta Maria Lloyd (?–1766), who married second, *Daniel Dulany* (1685–1753); *Robert Lloyd* (ca. 1712–1770); Henrietta Maria Lloyd (ca. 1711–1748), who married *Samuel Chamberlaine* (1698–1773); Margaret Lloyd (1714–ca. 1785), who married *William Tilghman* (1711–1782); and Anne Lloyd (ca. 1723–1794), who married *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790). Her nephews were *Richard Tilghman* (1740–1809); *Matthew Tilghman* (1760–1801); *James Tilghman, Jr.* (ca. 1748–1796); *James Tilghman* (1743–1809); *Peregrine Tilghman* (ca. 1741–1807); *William Tilghman* (1756–1827); *Michael Earle* (1722–1787); and *Richard Tilghman Earle* (1728/29–1788). Her nieces were Margaret Tilghman (1742–1817), who married *Charles Carroll, Barrister* (1723–1783); Anna Maria Tilghman (?–1817), who married *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812); Elizabeth Tilghman, who married *James Lloyd* (ca. 1756–1830); Anna Maria Earle (1725–1795), who married Thomas Ringgold (1715–1772); Henrietta Maria Earle (1730–1767), who married *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812); Anna Maria Robins (1732–1806), who married *Henry Hollyday* (ca. 1725–1789); Margaret Robins (1734–1808), who married *William Hayward* (?–1791); and Henrietta Maria Robins (1736–1791), who married *James Lloyd Chamberlaine* (1732–1783). CHILDREN. SON: Richard (probably died young). STEPSONS. Philemon Hemsley (1728–1752); *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812). DAUGHTERS. Deborah, who married *Peregrine Tilghman* (ca. 1741–1807); Anna Maria, who married William Tilghman (1745–1800). STEPDAUGHTERS. Anna Maria Hemsley (1726–1790); Henrietta Maria Hemsley (1730–?); and Mary Hemsley (1733–ca. 1750). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION. literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION. Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES. Gent., by 1737; Esq., by 1747; fourth generation legislator. Described by Thomas Jef-

erson in 1766 as “a little old man dressed but indifferently with a yellow queue wig on” OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant by 1749; planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1738, 1739–1741 (Accounts 3), 1742–1744 (Laws 1, 2), 1745 (Laws), 1745/46–1748 (Laws Cv 1, 1–3, 4), 1749–1751 (Laws Cv–3), Queen Anne’s County, 1754–1757 (Laws 1–4; Bills of Credit 6), 1757–1758 (Accounts 1, Cv, 2; Bills of Credit 1, Cv, 2; Public Offices 1, Cv, 2), 1758–1761 (Elections 2, 3, Cv 3; Grievances Cv 1, 1, Cv 2, 2, 3, Cv 3; Bills of Credit Cv 1, 1, Cv 2, 2, 3; Public Offices Cv 1, 1, Cv 2, 2, 3, Cv 3), 1762–1763 (Grievances 1, 2; Bills of Credit 1, 2), 1765–1766 (Speaker), 1768–1769 (Speaker 1, 2; died before the third session of the 1768–1770 Assembly). LOCAL OFFICES: St. Michael’s Parish Vestry, Talbot County, 1735–1738; St. Paul’s Parish Vestry, Queen Anne’s County, 1739–1742, 1753–1756; visitor, Queen Anne’s County Free School, in office 1738/39, 1759; justice, Queen Anne’s County, 1740–1749, 1754–1756 (quorum 1741–1749, 1754–1756); trustee, charity school, St. Peter’s Parish, Talbot County, in office 1750; churchwarden, St. Paul’s Parish, Queen Anne’s County, 1760. MILITARY SERVICE: colonel, by 1766. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: wrote to the Hon. Joseph Hollyday on October 20, 1755: “The French and Indians are nibbling at our frontiers and no one seems to have resolution enough to set the dogs at them.” WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 4,100 acres in Talbot County and 1 lot in Wye Town, Talbot County (all inherited from his father, including ca. 1,900 acres devised by his grandfather Robert Grundy to *James Lloyd* (1679/80–1723) for life and then to Robert and his brother James). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: Upon his marriage to Anna Maria Tilghman Hemsley, Lloyd gained control of her father’s lands devised to her (554 acres in Queen Anne’s County) and to her Hemsley children (650 acres in Queen Anne’s County), as well as to ca. 3,800 acres in Queen Anne’s County and 1,346 acres in Talbot County to which the Hemsley children were heirs through their father and grandfather. Lloyd divided his father’s lands with his brother James in 1743; and sold 300 acres in Talbot County in 1744. Between 1751 and 1770, as the various Hemsley heirs came of age, Robert lost control of their acreage in Queen Anne’s and Talbot counties. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on July 16, 1770. Family tradition states that his horse bolted and Lloyd was thrown