

slaves, 1 servant, and books); FB, £2.12.0. LAND: probably as much as 888 acres in St. Mary's County.

**WEBB, WILLIAM** (?–1778). BORN: probably not in Maryland, of age by 1759; probably eldest child. IMMIGRATED/NATIVE: unknown. RESIDED: in Deer Creek Upper Hundred, Baltimore (later became Harford) County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: Samuel Webb (?–1788), a tanner, who probably immigrated to Baltimore County before 1741. MOTHER: Jane. BROTHER: Samuel (1746–?), who married in 1764 Margaret Tudor. SISTERS: Jane (ca. 1741–?); Faithfull (1743–?), who married in 1764 Jacob Forwood; Margaret (1752–?), who married (first name unknown) Brieryly; and Sarah (1755–?), who married (first name unknown) Carroll. MARRIED on July 12, 1758, Elizabeth, daughter of James Lee (ca. 1704–1778), Gent., of Deer Creek, Harford County, planter, and wife Elizabeth (ca. 1710–?). Her brothers were James; Samuel; and Josiah. Her sisters were Cassandra (ca. 1744–?), who married William Morgan (ca. 1744–?); Mary (ca. 1752–?), who married Samuel Wilson (ca. 1754–?); and (first name unknown), who married (first name unknown) Van Cleve. Her first cousin was *John Lee Webster* (ca. 1735–1795). **CHILDREN.** SON: William. DAUGHTERS: Margaret Lee (1761–?), who married in 1781 Richard Downing; Constance Priscilla, who married in 1785 Samuel Downing. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. George's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., by 1774. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably a sadler working in conjunction with his father's tanyard. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: 5th Convention, Harford County, 1775. LOCAL OFFICES: churchwarden, St. George's Parish, Baltimore County, 1759–1760; St. George's Parish Vestry, Baltimore and Harford counties, 1760–1762, 1766–1768, appointed 1775; justice, Baltimore County, 1772–1773, Harford County, 1774–1777; Committee of Correspondence, Harford County, appointed June 1774; Committee of Observation, Harford County, December 1774–at least February 1777; justice, Orphans' Court, Harford County, appointed 1777. **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, 16th Company, Harford County Militia, elected October 14, 1775, commissioned April 26, 1776. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: signed Bush Declaration, Harford County, March 22, 1775. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 50 acres in Harford County (by purchase). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BE-

TWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 50 acres in Harford County, 1777. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: administration bond dated May 26, 1778, in Harford County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least £188.18.0 current money (including 4 slaves, plate valued at £1.5.0, and 2 books). **ADDITIONAL COMMENT:** Webb's wife died sometime before 1775, and at his death Webb was probably living in his father's household. His inventory includes no household or plantation equipment. LAND: none.

**WEBSTER, JOHN LEE** (ca. 1735–1795). BORN: ca. 1735, in Baltimore County; probably second son. NATIVE: at least third generation. RESIDED: in Baltimore (later became Spesutia Lower Hundred, Harford) County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: Isaac Webster (?–1759) of Baltimore County, son of John Webster (?–1753); both were Quakers. MOTHER: Margaret, daughter of James Lee (?–ca. 1732) of Baltimore County, planter. BROTHERS: Isaac (1730–?), who married Elizabeth; James; and Samuel. SISTERS: Hannah (1724–?), who married first, in 1742, Samuel Gover (?–1744), a mariner, and second, in 1749, Nathan Richardson (?–1756); Margaret (1725/26–?), who married in 1741 John Talbot; Mary (1728–?), who married in 1748 Robert Pleasants, of John; Susannah, who married in 1759 Robert Pleasants, Jr., of Thomas; Cassandra, who married in 1763 Jonathan Massey; Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Robertson; Sarah (?–by 1769), who married in 1761 William Coale; Alisanna, who married in 1764 John Wilson (?–by 1805); and Ann, who married (first name unknown) Jewett. FIRST COUSINS: Ann Bond Fell (?–1785), who married second, *James Giles* (1749/50–?); Elizabeth Lee, who married *William Webb* (?–1778). MARRIED first, ca. 1769, Susanna (1744–ca. 1770), widow of *James Heath* (?–1766), daughter of John Hall (1722–1768) of Swantown, Baltimore County, and wife Susanna Marshall (1726–1744). Susanna was the stepdaughter of Cordelia Night Holland. She was the niece of *Aquila Hall* (1727–1779). Her half brothers were Aquila; William (ca. 1749–?); and Parker (1765–?). Her stepbrother was *Francis Holland* (ca. 1745–1795). Her half sisters were Cordelia (1758–?); Sarah (1760–?). Her first cousins were Charlotte Hall (1758–1838), who married *Nathaniel Ramsey* (1741–1817); Sophia Hall (1765–?), who married *Philip Key* (1750–1820). MARRIED second, between 1770 and 1773, Elizabeth (ca. 1743–?), widow of Theodore Contee (1736–1764), a merchant of Calvert County, son of *Alexander Contee*