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Hanson, Alexander Contee

FR 1749-1806

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NAME HANSON ALEXANDER
 (1749-1806) CONTEE
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Date	Initials	Number (circled)	Citations
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		②	Scharf, <u>History of Western Maryland</u> , Vol. I : 402.
		③	LDP files - <u>JOHN HANSON (1721-1783)</u>
		④	Barnes, <u>Marriages & Deaths</u> : 82.
		⑤	Sumbough, <u>Maryland Records</u> , Vol II : 441
		⑥	<u>Biographical Directory of the American Congress</u> , p. 1004 (see L.D.P. file - <u>JOHN HANSON (1721-1783)</u>)
		⑦	Chancery 63 : 474.
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		⑨	Account, 1810, A.A. Testamentary Papers, Box 96, folder 58.
		⑩	Newman, Henry Wright, <u>Charles County Gentry</u> (Baltimore 1946) p. 243.
		⑪	Chancery records 63:466
		⑫	sp. cit., Scharf Vol. II p. 1549
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Vol. I p. 124.
- (15) 1783 tax assessment for A.A. County;
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- (16) Maryland Gazette Oct. 8, 1789
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- (18) Maryland Gazette Sept. 24, 1795
- (19) A.A. County Administration Books Box 37:15
- (20) Maryland Gazette, Oct. 11, 1797
- (21) Frederick Deeds WR 1:239 (1778)
- (22) AA Deeds HH #13, p. 579 (1807)
- (23) Land Summary Sheet, tracts # 1-6.
- (24) 1798 tax list lands
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- (26) Munnell, Philip A., Maryland During and After the Revolution (Baltimore 1943) p. 122
- (27) Manuscript notes of Alex Day

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ORIGINS

NAME HANSON, ALEXANDER CONTEE
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Born Oct. 22, 1749, Frederick Co. (2)

Immigrant/Native - native, possibly 4th generation (2)(21)

Resided - ^{Charles,} Frederick Co., by 1778 (Annapolis), occupied home on Charles St. lot # 48, 49 (22)

FAMILY BACKGROUND

(2)(3)

father - JOHN HANSON (1721-1783)

mother - Jane Contee (1728-1812) dau of ALEXANDER CONTEE, CH. (1691-1740)

grandfather - SAMUEL HANSON (1684-1740)

siblings - 1. Catherine Contee Hanson (1744-?)⁽¹⁰⁾ mrd. Philip Alexander

2. Jane Contee Hanson (1747-1781)⁽¹⁰⁾ mrd. Dr. PHILIP THOMAS 1773⁽¹⁰⁾

3. Elizabeth Hanson (1751-53)

4. John Hanson (1753-60)

5. Samuel Hanson (1756-1781) Surgeon for Washington's staff (10)

6. Peter Contee Hanson (1758-1776) did at Fort Washington during Revolution. (10)

Original member of Society of Sons of Liberty

7. Grace Hanson (1762-1763)

Additional Comments - 3rd generation legislator.

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MARRIAGES

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Married - June 4, 1778 (5)

Rebecca Howard of Annapolis (2)
born - 1758
died - June 21, 1806, age 47 (4)

Wife's/Wives Family

Mother - probably Mrs. Nancy Howard (? - 1797) (1920)

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CHILDREN

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Children (including stepchildren)

- 1- Charles Wallace Hanson (2)
 - Associate judge of 6th Judicial District, which was
 composed of Baltimore & Harford.
- 2- Alexander Contee Hanson, Jr. (1786-1819) (2) (6)
 born - Annapolis, Feb 27, 1786
 educated - St. John's College - graduated 1802
 Lawyer
 Md. State House of Delegates 1811-1815
 Established & edited the Federal Republican
 Moved to Rockville, Md.
 Elected as federalist to 13th & 14th Congress, 1813-1816
 Unsuccessful candidate in 1816 for election to State
 House of Delegates.
 Elected to U.S. Senate - Dec. 20, 1816, where he
 served until his death on April 23, 1819
 at "Belmont", Elkridge, Howard Co.
 Married - June 25, 1805 - Priscilla Dorsey.
- 3- daughter - (2)
 md. Thomas Peabody Grosvenor of New York

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PRIVATE CAREER (1)

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Education

Many varied books itemized in Inventory ^①
Interests by signature 1778 ^②
educated at College of Philadelphia ^③

Religion

Titles

by 1801 - Esq. ^⑦

1797- Honorable ^⑪

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PRIVATE CAREER (2)

NAME HANSON, ALEXANDER
LONTEE
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Social Activities

Occupational Profile

lawyer (13) (14) / Chancellor (13) (14), 1789-1806
Assistant private secretary to General Washington (14) (2)

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PUBLIC CAREER

(1) LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

F (1)

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Delegata to
Constitutional Convention of 1788 (U.S. Constitution); fr. Annapolis

1789-1792 Presidential Elector (37)

F A (2)

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PUBLIC CAREER

(2) OFFICEHOLDING

NAME HANSON, ALEXANDER
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LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

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Province or State-wide Office

Feb. 12, 1778 - appointed associate judge of General Court (2)

Oct. 8, 1789 - succeeded as judge of General Court by JEREMIAH T. CHASE (10)
(1748-1828)

Oct. 3, 1789 - appointed Chancellor of the State - (2)
served until his death.

1789 + 1792 - Presidential Elector (2)

Local Office

President St. Johns College Sept 24, 1795 (18)

Jury Service

Military Service

14 two
6

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VALUES AND OPINIONS

NAME HAUSON, ALEXANDER
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Intellectual Pursuits/Values

- (13) The Laws of Maryland (Annapolis 1784)
 - (14) Compilation of testamentary systems in 1798
- } both instituted under the direction of the Legislative Assembly

Estate contained 97 volume law library and 55 volumes of other books. (1)

Stands on Public or Private Issues

was author of a number of political pamphlets (2)

An articulate supporter for the ratification of the federal Constitution. Wrote under the pen name "Aristides".

His pamphlet Remarks on the Proposed Plan of a Federal Government was "the most able and spirited Federalist tract published in the state." (26)

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VALUES AND OPINIONS

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LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

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Intellectual Pursuits/Values

(Cont'd)

March 16, 1786 Appointed by board of visitors and Governors, St. John's College, to committee which will receive plans for erecting building or buildings for said college. (16)

May 22, 1794 A.C. Hanson signed as first assistant to professor of English at St. John's College (17)

Sept. 27, 1795 President St. John's College (18)

Stands on Public or Private Issues

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WEALTH DURING LIFETIME

(1) PERSONAL

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Personal Property

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1783	value =	k 110 . 0 . 0
	40 oz. plate =	16 . 13 . 4
	2 horses =	40 . 0 . 0
	other property =	80 . 0 . 0
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		246 . 13 . 4

AA only

Income

Additional Notes

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ESTATE

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Died At Annapolis January 16, 1806
age 59 (4) of Apoplexy (37)

(2)

Personal Property

as stated in inventory { 97 vol. Law Library - value \$120.00
55 volumes books - value 45.00
11 slaves at total value \$1341.00

(1)

(1) (9) TEV \$ 4838.72 at least (in 1808 pt. of the property contained in the (9)
debts 1362.46 1/4 inventory was sold for \$1806.00)
bal. \$ 3476.25 3/4 - Appraised in Federal debt acts - (19)

Land

at death occupied lots 48 and 49 on Church Street, Annapolis (22)
possibly 42 & a. that were patented - No evidence that they
were ever sold (22) (25)

Income at Death

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RESIDENCE

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MISCELLANEOUS

Alexander Contee Hanson & Samuel Chase directed the publishing of the Laws of Maryland passed from November 26, 1763 to 1784. (2)

Hanson was the author of a number of political pamphlets. (2)