

particularly on the Antietam and Potomac rivers, in order to erect an ironworks, a furnace, and forges. **PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Conventions, Frederick County, 4th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend), 5th, 1775, 9th, 1776 (Manufactories); Lower House, Washington County, 1777 (Elections 1; Loan Office 1; Manufactories 2; Grievances 2). **LOCAL OFFICES:** Prince George's Parish Vestry, Frederick County, 1749; sheriff, Frederick County, 1753–1756, 1759–1762; collector of land tax, Frederick County, 1759; public school visitor, Frederick County, 1763; justice, Frederick County, 1763—at least 1775 (quorum, 1768—at least 1775), Washington County, commissioned 1777; justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Frederick County, commissioned 1770, 1772, and 1773; justice, Orphans' Court, Washington County, commissioned 1777. **MILITARY SERVICE:** colonel, 1761, 1763—at least 1776. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 3,863 acres in Prince George's and Frederick counties (at least 139 acres inherited from father, the remainder by purchase and patent). In 1755 he leased out 120 acres. **WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED:** will probated on January 10, 1778, in Washington County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least £2,572.15.5 current money (including 13 slaves and a gristmill). **LAND:** At least 1,020 acres in Frederick, Prince George's, Washington, and Montgomery counties, plus 1 lot in Georgetown, D.C. Samuel and his partners had many small tracts resurveyed into one large parcel of 8,025 acres owned by the Frederick Forge, 1772; one-fourth share of this ironworks was owned by Samuel at his death.

BEALL, THOMAS, OF GEORGE (1735–1819). **BORN:** in 1735, probably in Prince George's County; younger son. **NATIVE:** third generation. **RESIDED:** on lot 72, Georgetown, D.C. **FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER:** Col. George Beall (1695–1780), son of *Ninian Beale* (ca. 1625–1717/18). **MOTHER:** Elizabeth (1699–1748), daughter of Col. *Thomas Brooke* (ca. 1659–1730/31). **HALF UNCLE:** *Thomas Brooke* (1683–1744). **AUNT:** Jane Brooke (?–1779), who married *Alexander Contee* (ca. 1691–1740). **HALF AUNTS:** Sarah Brooke, who married first, *William Dent* (ca. 1660–1704), and second, *Philip Lee* (ca. 1681–1744); Priscilla Brooke, who married *Thomas Gantt* (?–1765). **BROTHER:** George (1729–1807), who married first, Anna, and second, Elizabeth. **SISTER:** Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Evans. **FIRST COUSINS:** *John Contee* (1722–ca. 1796); *Thomas Contee* (ca. 1729–1811); and Jane Contee (1728–

1812), who married *John Hanson, Jr.* (1721–1783). **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:** his father was previously married. **MARRIED** by 1775 Nancy, granddaughter of John Orme (?–1758), of Prince George's County, a minister, and wife Ruth. **CHILDREN. DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth, who married George C. Washington (?–1854), great-nephew of Gen. George Washington (1731/32–1799); Harriet Ann, her twin sister, who married Maj. John Peter. **PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Presbyterian. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Gent., 1780. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** probably a planter. **PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Montgomery County, 1785 (Claims), 1800. **LOCAL OFFICES:** auctioneer, Montgomery County, commissioned 1780; justice, Montgomery County, 1780—at least 1785, commissioned 1800. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY:** assessed value £1,300.0.0, including 8 slaves, 1783; assessed value £680.0.0, including 15 slaves, 1793–1797; assessed value £510.0.0, including 15 slaves, 1798–1812. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** at least 3,124 acres in Montgomery County (308 acres, plus at least 1 lot in Georgetown, D.C., received from his father). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** tax lists from 1793 to 1813 show ownership of 2,550 acres in Montgomery County, of which 420 acres were held in partnership with two other people; purchased 174 acres in Lexington, Kentucky in 1812; also held land in Jefferson County, Virginia; owned 40 lots in Georgetown, D.C., 1798. **WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED:** on October 5, 1819, in Georgetown, D.C.; buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery, Georgetown, D.C.; his body was later moved to "Oakhill," Georgetown, D.C. **LAND:** at least 2,130 acres in Montgomery County, plus 420 acres in Montgomery County held in partnership with two other people, plus 40 lots in Georgetown, D.C., 174 acres in Lexington, Kentucky, and unknown acreage in Jefferson County, Virginia.

BEALL, WILLIAM MURDOCK (ca. 1742–1823). **BORN:** ca. 1742; second son. **NATIVE:** probably third generation. **RESIDED:** in Frederick Town, Frederick County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER:** Nathaniel Beall, Gent. (?–1757), planter. **MOTHER:** Ann, daughter of Rev. George Murdock (?–1761), of Prince George's County. **BROTHERS:** George, who married in 1757 Elizabeth Turner; Elisha (1745–1838). **SISTERS:** Elizabeth; Mary. **MARRIED** Mary (1743–1810). **CHILDREN. SONS:** William Murdock, Jr. (?–by 1813), who married Frances. **DAUGHTERS:** Mary Ann (1772–1817),