

counties for his Taylor stepchildren from ca. 1735/36 to ca. 1744; at least 1,853 acres in Talbot and Dorchester counties by purchase or patent between 1726 and 1749; sold 461 acres in Talbot County between 1748 and 1752. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: between May 5 and July 21, 1752, in Talbot County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** at least 14 slaves mentioned in his will. **LAND:** 1,762 acres in Talbot and Dorchester counties.

**BRACCO, JOHN (?-1794).** BORN: of age by 1748. RESIDED: at "Bracco," Queen Anne's County, by 1748; Miles River, Talbot County, by 1761. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** OTHER KINSHIP: a Thomas Bracco signed John Bracco's inventory as a next of kin. **MARRIED** by 1753 Elizabeth, daughter of Nathaniel Beall and wife Elizabeth Brooke; granddaughter of Roger Brooke (1673-1718), of Prince George's County, and wife Elizabeth Hutchins. Her sisters were Ann, a minor in 1757; Priscilla. Her first cousins were *Richard Bennett Carmichael* (1753-1824); Elizabeth Brooke Carmichael, who married *John Lambert Wilmer* (1747-1799); and *Richard Brooke* (1736-1788). **CHILDREN.** SONS: John (ca. 1763-1794), of Queen Anne's County, a surgeon, who married Henrietta Nicholson; James (?-by 1794), who was appointed register of wills of Talbot County in 1785 after his father resigned, and who married Ann. **DAUGHTER:** Priscilla, who married James Booker. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1752; Esq., 1783. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter, 1753; merchant, 1761. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Queen Anne's County, 1754-1757 (Bills of Credit 2, 4-6), 1757-1758 (Bills of Credit 1, Cv, 2; Grievances 1, Cv, 2), Talbot County, 1777 (elected to fill vacancy, but did not attend; resigned on March 13, 1777, upon his appointment as register of wills and commissioner of the peace of Talbot County), 1785 (Grievances; Manufactories). LOCAL OFFICES: St. John's Parish Vestry, Queen Anne's County, in office 1752-1755, 1757-1760; justice, Queen Anne's County, 1754-1756, Talbot County, by 1769—at least 1789 (quorum, 1774—at least 1789); St. Michael's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, in office 1763, 1770-1773, 1773-1776, 1776-1779, and 1787; tobacco inspector, Miles River, Talbot County, in office 1766-1768; deputy commissary, Talbot County, in office 1771-1777; Committee of Observation, Talbot County, elected ca. 1774; loan officer, Continental Loan Office, Talbot County, appointed 1777; commissioner of tax, Talbot County, appointed 1777; register of

wills, Talbot County, 1777-1785; justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Talbot County, commissioned 1778; judge, court of appeals, appointed under the Act to Procure Troops for the American Army, Talbot County, appointed 1778; justice, Orphans' Court, Queen Anne's County, appointed 1789 and 1791. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £1,050.18.9, including 34 slaves and 3 oz. plate, Talbot and Queen Anne's counties, 1783; 25 slaves, 1790. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 1,399 acres in Queen Anne's County (all by patent). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** mortgaged 622 acres in Queen Anne's County, 1767; owned a total of 1,348 acres in Talbot and Queen Anne's counties, 1783; mortgaged 400 acres in Talbot County, 1789; deeded 622 acres in Queen Anne's County as a gift to his son John, 1792, but he retained a life estate in it. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: between July 29 and November 13, 1794, in Talbot County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £1,813.0.11 current money (including 32 slaves and books); FB, £676.2.3. **LAND:** 400 acres in Talbot County which were sold to pay a debt of £2,498.9.1 that Bracco owed to *James Lloyd Chamberlaine* (1732-1783).

**BRADFORD, JOHN (?-1725/26).** BORN: probably in Leicestershire, England. IMMIGRATED: by 1701 as a free adult. RESIDED: in Prince George's County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: John Bradford, of Leicestershire, England. SISTER: Mary Jones. **MARRIED** first, by 1706 Ann, daughter of John Gant; stepdaughter of *John Wight* (?-1705). **MARRIED** second, ca. 1712 Joyce, widow of James Butler. Her brother was James Carroll. **CHILDREN.** SONS: William (1713-?); John. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1706; in England in 1709; his second marriage brought him considerable wealth. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter; land developer; factor for John Hyde, of London, England; merchant. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Prince George's County, 1708A, 1708B-1711 (Accounts 1, 3, 4), 1715 (Accounts), 1716-1718 (Accounts 1-3). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Prince George's County, 1711-1718, 1724-1725/26; King George's Parish Vestry, Prince George's County, 1712-1718, 1724-1725/26. **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, 1708-1714; major, 1714-1722; colonel, 1722-1725/26. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 452 acres in 1706; began to purchase large tracts in 1710.