

(ca. 1748–1816). MARRIED by 1764 Anne (?–by 1794), daughter of *Edward Oldham* (1709–1773) and wife Ann Wright (?–by 1754); stepdaughter of Ann Goldsborough (1732–?); granddaughter of *John Oldham* (?–1729); stepgranddaughter of *Nicholas Goldsborough* (ca. 1689–1766); niece of Hannah Oldham (1702–1759), who married *James Edge* (ca. 1710–1757), *Thomas Wright* (?–ca. 1784), and Mary Anne Wright (?–1747), who married *William Hopper* (1707–1772); stepniece of *Thomas Goldsborough* (ca. 1728–1793). Anne subsequently married by 1785 Robert Williams. Her sisters were Hannah (?–1828), who married *Nicholas Martin* (1743–ca. 1808); Elizabeth (?–by 1776), who married *William Hopper* (by 1747–1806); and Mary (?–by 1772). Her first cousins were *William Hopper* (by 1747–1806); Mary Ann Hopper (1742–by 1792), who married second, *James Bordley* (?–ca. 1793); and *Samuel Turbutt Wright* (1749–1810). ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: by 1759 Anne and her sister Elizabeth were living with their aunt Hannah Oldham Edge from whom they inherited the lands of their uncle *James Edge* (ca. 1710–1757). CHILDREN. SONS: Joshua, who married in 1791 Ann, daughter of William Coursey, of Queen Anne's County, and wife Ann; Edward Oldham (?–ca. 1808), who probably never married; and Phillip (?–ca. 1809), who never married. DAUGHTERS: Ann; Elizabeth; Mary; and Margaret. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1759; Esq., 1769. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Conventions, Caroline County, 3rd, 1774, 4th, 1775, 5th, 1775, 6th–8th, 1775–1776 (did not attend the 7th and 8th Conventions). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Queen Anne's County, 1768–1773, Caroline County, 1774–1777, 1778 (commissioned, but did not qualify), 1793–at least 1800; churchwarden and vestryman, Tuckahoe Chapel, St. John's Parish, Queen Anne's County (later became part of Caroline County), 1769; Committee of Correspondence, Queen Anne's County, 1774; justice, Orphans' Court, Caroline County, commissioned 1777. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 3,986 acres in Queen Anne's, Talbot, and Dorchester counties, plus 2 lots, probably in Talbot County (918 acres from his father; 2,999 acres, plus 2 lots through his marriage, at least 2,000 acres of which were given to his wife in 1759 by her aunt, Hannah Edge, widow of James Edge; 2 acres by purchase). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 32 acres in Tal-

bot County, 1775; purchased 345 acres in Queen Anne's County, part of the estate of his brother-in-law Henry Costin, which Clarke was authorized to sell by virtue of a court decree, 1777; sold 81 acres of his wife's lands in Caroline County, 1780. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between January and February 1781 in Caroline County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £2,253.14.4 current money (including 31 slaves and books); FB, £1,436.8.5. LAND: 4,280 acres in Caroline, Talbot, and Queen Anne's counties.

**CLARKE (CLARK), PHILIP** (?–1699). IMMIGRATED: by 1686. RESIDED: in St. Mary's County. MARRIED by 1686 Hannah, daughter of George Mackall and wife Ann. Her sister was Jane, who married *John Watson* (ca. 1649–1699). CHILDREN. SONS: George; Philip; and Rozer. DAUGHTERS: two, first names unknown. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: may be the Philip Clarke who was transported in 1676 as indentured servant, but there is no definite proof of the connection; it was charged in 1698 that "from working at the Howe hoe, he had presumed to take upon him that noble profession of the Law"; Mr., by 1692/93. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, admitted to the following courts: Provincial Court in 1691; Court of Chancery by 1696; also claimed to have practiced in several county courts in the 1690s. Planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, St. Mary's County, 1692–1693 (Laws 1; Elections and Privileges 1), 1694–1697 (Laws 5–8, probably chairman 6, 8), 1697/98–1698 (chairman, Grand Committee of Lower House 1; Laws, probably chairman 1; died before the 3rd session). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: naval officer, Potomac, 1694–1696; justice, Provincial Court, July–December 1696 (quorum; dismissed). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, St. Mary's County, 1689–by 1694; alderman, St. Mary's City, 1694. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: dismissed from the Provincial Court in 1696 for his support of *John Coode* (ca. 1648–1708/9); alleged coconspirator against Gov. Francis Nicholson in 1696–1698; called by Nicholson "one of the great incendiarys in the house of Delegates," 1698; wrote the act of religion in 1698 and led Lower House opposition to the governor; jailed for six months for his defamation of Nicholson, and the question of releasing Clarke and his seating at the October 1698 session of the Assembly became a major issue. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 2 plantations of unspecified acreage. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: by June 29,