

Samuel Bowman (?–1768). Her brother was *Philip Walker* (?–1791). Her sister was Ann (see below for details). Her first cousin was (first name unknown) Edmondson, who married *Christopher Birkhead* (by 1740–1788). MARRIED second, in January 1784 Ann (?–by 1787), widow of both Andrew Mein and Edward Hindman (?–1781), son of *Jacob Hindman* (by 1713–1766); daughter of Rev. Philip Walker (?–1776) and wife Elizabeth Dickinson Richardson. MARRIED third, in March 1787 Deborah (ca. 1748–1805), daughter of William Perry (?–1750), an immigrant who resided in Talbot County and was a planter and merchant, and wife Anne Fleaharty (?–by 1751). Her brother was *William Perry* (1746–1799). Her natural sister was Sarah, who was born before her parents' marriage, and married first, by 1764 Alexander Frazier, and second, Thomas Noel. CHILDREN. SONS: Charles; Philip (?–ca. 1789), died of consumption; and Henry (ca. 1789–?). STEPSON: Andrew Mein. DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth, who married in June 1790 William Richardson (?–1831), son of *William Richardson* (1735–1825); Rebecca (?–1812), who married Capt. Thomas B. Daffin, son of *Charles Daffin* (?–1794). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, Hunting Creek Parish, probably Caroline County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1770; Esq., 1783. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Conventions, Caroline County, 3rd, 1774, 4th, 1775, 5th, 1775, 6th–8th, 1775–1776, 9th, 1776; Lower House, Caroline County, 1777 (Loan Office 1), 1777–1778. OTHER STATE OFFICE: treasurer, Eastern Shore, 1779–1789. LOCAL OFFICES: receiver of alienation fines, Dorchester County, by 1768—at least 1771; trustee to erect a ballroom for the use and benefit of the subscribers, Dorchester County, 1770; Committee of Observation, Caroline County, 1776; loan officer, Continental Loan Office, Caroline County, appointed 1777; justice, Caroline County, 1779—at least 1782, commissioned 1783 (but “will not qualify”), 1786–1788; justice, Orphans' Court, Caroline County, commissioned 1782, 1783, 1785 (but “will not qualify”), and 1788; judge, Court of Appeals for Tax Assessment, Caroline County, 1786. MILITARY SERVICE: colonel, 1776. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £1,243.0.0, including 34 slaves and 112 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,424 acres in Caroline County (254 acres from his father, 1,000 acres by purchase). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: inherited additional land at his father's death, 1779; acquired 383 acres through his

third marriage, 1787. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: in November 1789 in Caroline County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £8,570.6.6 current money (including 82 slaves, books, and plate); FB, £8,046.18.2. LAND: at least 3,202 acres in Caroline County.

DICKINSON (DICKENSON, DICKERSON, DICKASON), JAMES (ca. 1726–1787). BORN: ca. 1726. IMMIGRATED: probably; possibly from Cumberland County, England. RESIDED: in Talbot County, 1743/44; Third District, Talbot County, 1783. FAMILY BACKGROUND. NEPHEW: John Singleton (1750–1819), who married first, Bridget (1744–1774), daughter of *Nicholas Goldsborough* (ca. 1689–1766), and second, Anna Goldsborough (1764–1825), granddaughter of *Nicholas Goldsborough* (ca. 1689–1766), and niece of his first wife Bridget. MARRIED on August 10, 1748, Rachel (?–by 1785), daughter of Jonathan Taylor (?–by 1735), of Talbot County, and wife Elizabeth Sherwood, a Quaker; stepdaughter of *Thomas Bozman* (ca. 1693–1752); stepgranddaughter of *John Bozman* (1650–1716). Her brother was Thomas (?–by 1747), who died as a minor. CHILDREN. SON: (first name unknown) (?–by 1785). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Peter's Parish, Talbot County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1750; Esq., 1754. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1768–1770 (Accounts 1–3; Claims 1, 2, 4). LOCAL OFFICES: St. Peter's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, in office 1750–1753, 1759–1763, 1766; sheriff, Talbot County, 1752–1755; justice, Talbot County, 1756—at least 1775 (quorum, 1770—at least 1775). STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: manumitted six slaves, 1781; in his will Dickinson ordered that his nephew manumit all of his remaining slaves, binding the children as apprentices in useful trades, 1787. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: owned a schooner, 1772; assessed value £1,346.4.8, including 20 slaves and 125 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,117 acres in Talbot and Dorchester counties (all through his marriage); probably also owned land in Cumberland County, England. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 267 acres in Dorchester County, 1769; resurveyed 300 acres and patented it as a 449-acre tract in Talbot County, 1774; sold 150 acres in Talbot County, 1781; purchased 121 acres in Talbot County in 1781, and sold all but 41 acres of it, by 1783; owned a total of 844 acres in Talbot County, 1783; purchased 27