

(refused to serve), 1719, 1720, 1733, and 1741; justice, Talbot County, by 1720—at least 1745 (quorum, 1727—at least 1745); justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Talbot County, commissioned 1720; tobacco inspector, Fourth Precinct, Talbot County, appointed 1729 (refused to serve). STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: In 1744 *Joshua George* (ca. 1695–1748) reported to the Council a conversation he had had with Goldsborough. George had told Goldsborough that he thought it “a very hard Affair” that sheriffs and others were not being compensated for the trouble and money they expended on Indians who were committed to their custody. Goldsborough responded that he thought it “a very cruel Affair on the Indians” who had been given passes by Governor Ogle to meet, but were then molested by the sheriffs of the various counties. His defense of the Indians was taken by George to be an offense against the governor. The Council ordered the attorney general to prosecute Goldsborough in the Provincial Court, although apparently no action was taken. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,934 acres in Talbot, Queen Anne’s, and Dorchester counties (1,234 acres inherited from his father; 700 acres acquired through his marriage). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: resurveyed 300 acres of the land he had inherited from his father, resulting in a new total of 821 acres in Dorchester County, 1728; his wife inherited her father’s dwelling plantation containing 730 acres in Talbot County after the death of her brother, by 1738; purchased 630 acres in Queen Anne’s, Talbot, and Dorchester counties between 1738 and 1749; purchased at least 74 acres in Talbot County in 1751, but he gave all of it to his son *Thomas Goldsborough* (ca. 1728–1793) by deed of gift, 1753. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: in September 1766 in Talbot County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £3,638.3.8 as calculated (including 40 slaves, 5 servants, 67 oz. 8 dwts. plate, and books); FB, £3,592.15.9. LAND: 3,848 acres in Talbot, Dorchester, and Queen Anne’s counties.

GOLDSBOROUGH (GOULDESBOROUGH), ROBERT (1660–1746). BORN: in 1660 in Dorset, England; oldest son. IMMIGRATED: in 1677 as a free adult with his brother, probably from England. RESIDED: in Dorchester County; Talbot County, by 1690. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Nicholas Goldsborough (ca. 1640–1670), a merchant of Blandford, Dorset, England in 1659, who went to Barbados in 1669, then to New England,

and finally to Maryland in 1670. MOTHER: Margaret, daughter of Abraham Howes. She subsequently married in 1671 George Robins (1635–1674). BROTHER: Nicholas (1662–1705), who married first, Ann, daughter of Thomas Powell, and second, Elizabeth, daughter of John Sargent. HALF BROTHER: *Thomas Robins* (1672–1721). SISTER: Judith, who married first, John Standley, and second, Robert Grundy. MARRIED in 1697 Elizabeth (1678–1719/20), daughter of *Nicholas Greenberry* (1627–1697). Her brother was *Charles Greenberry* (1672–1713). Her sisters were Katherine, who married Henry Ridgely (1669–1699/1700), son of *Henry Ridgeley* (?–1710); Ann, who married *John Hammond* (ca. 1665–1742/43). Her niece was Elizabeth Ridgely (?–1734), who married *Thomas Worthington* (ca. 1691–1753). CHILDREN. SONS: Robert (ca. 1704–1777), who married first, Sarah (?–1740), daughter of Henry Nichols, and second, Mary Anne (1711–1794), widow of John Robins and daughter of *Foster Turbutt* (1679–1720/21); Nicholas (ca. 1704–1756), who married Jane, widow of James Banning; *Charles Goldsborough* (1707–1767), who married first, Elizabeth, daughter of *Joseph Ennalls* (?–1709), and second, Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Dickinson; *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760), who married first in 1734/35 Elizabeth, daughter of *Thomas Robins* (1672–1721), and second, in 1747 Henrietta Maria (1707–1771), widow of George Robins (1697–1742) and daughter of *Richard Tilghman* (1672/73–1738/39); *John Goldsborough* (1711–1778), who married Ann (1715–1766), daughter of *Foster Turbutt* (1679–1720/21); Greenberry (1713–ca. 1716); and Howes (1715–1746), who married Rosanna, daughter of Michael Piper. DAUGHTERS: Ann (1698–ca. 1708); Elizabeth (ca. 1700–ca. 1708); and Mary (1702–ca. 1742), who married (first name unknown) Mooney. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate, probably had considerable schooling. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, admitted to the following courts: Talbot County in 1687; Provincial Court in 1693. Planter; merchant. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1704–1707 (Elections and Privileges 1; Laws 1). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: clerk, Committee of Aggrievances, 1695; clerk, Committee of Laws, 1696. LOCAL OFFICES: clerk of Indictments, Talbot County, 1692, 1716–1717/18; justice, Talbot County, 1695/96–1697 (quorum); chief justice, Talbot County, 1699–1705, 1719–1738. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: opposed the government of Protestant Associates in 1689. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT