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GOLDSBOROUGH, WILLIAM (1750/51–1801). BORN: on Sunday evening, March 17, 1750/51, in Talbot County; third son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: on the St. Michael's River, Talbot County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Robert Goldsborough (ca. 1704–1777), of "Myrtle Grove," Talbot County; a justice of Talbot County from 1734 to 1741 and from 1749 to 1766; son of *Robert Goldsborough* (1660–1746). MOTHER: Mary Anne (1711–1794), widow of John Robins (?–1739), a lawyer; daughter of *Foster Turbutt* (1679–1720/21). UNCLES: *Charles Goldsborough* (1707–1767); *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760); and *John Goldsborough* (1711–1778). AUNTS: Sarah Turbutt (1706–1773), who married *Nicholas Goldsborough* (ca. 1689–1766); Elizabeth Turbutt (1708–?), who married *Tench Francis* (1701–1758); Anne Turbutt (1715–1766), who married *John Goldsborough* (1711–1778). BROTHER: *Howes Goldsborough* (1747–1797). HALF BROTHER: *Robert Goldsborough IV* (1740–1798). SISTERS: Elizabeth (1745–1748); Mary Anne Turbutt (1752–1811), who never married. FIRST COUSINS: *Thomas Goldsborough* (ca. 1728–1793); *Robert Goldsborough* (1733–1788); Ann Francis (1727–?), who married *James Tilghman* (1716–1793); Elizabeth Greenberry Goldsborough (ca. 1731–1820), who married *William Ennalls* (?–1785); Ann Goldsborough (1732–?), who married *Edward Oldham* (1709–1773); Elizabeth Golds-

borough (ca. 1735–ca. 1786), who married second, *Benson Stainton* (?–ca. 1781); and *Mary Goldsborough* (1755–1796), who married *Benedict Brice* (1749–1786). ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: his father's first wife was Sarah (?–1740), daughter of Rev. Henry Nicols (1687–ca. 1749), rector of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot County. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Michael's Parish, Talbot County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1781; Esq., 1783. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably a planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1778 (elected to the 3rd session of the 1777–1778 Assembly to fill vacancy), 1779 (elected to the 2nd session of the 1778–1779 Assembly to fill vacancy; Claims 2; Tax Commissioners 3). LOCAL OFFICES: trustee for the poor, Talbot County, in office 1774; justice, Talbot County, 1779—at least 1785; justice, Orphans' Court, Talbot County, 1779—at least 1784; commissioner of tax, Talbot County, appointed 1786; trustee of the Alms- and Workhouse, Talbot County, in office 1789; St. Michael's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, in office 1791–1796. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: his father left him £300 toward cost of building a house, 1777; assessed value £712.11.8, including 14 slaves and 68 oz. plate, 1783; 22 slaves, 1790; assessed value £900.6.8, including 26 slaves and 71 oz. plate, 1798. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 736 acres in Talbot County (all inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: inherited one-third of a tract in Queen Anne's County from his mother and received another one-third of the same tract from his sister Mary Anne, for a total increase of 279 acres between 1794 and 1801. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: William was heir to his mother's estate with his brother *Howes Goldsborough* (1747–1797) and his sister Mary Anne Turbutt Goldsborough. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on January 23, 1801, in Talbot County; buried at "Ashby," Talbot County. LAND: at least 1,100 acres in Talbot and Queen Anne's counties.

GOLDSMITH, GEORGE (?–1666). IMMIGRATED: in 1656 as a free adult with his wife and son. RESIDED: in Baltimore County. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: may be either the George Goldsmith who transported his wife, three children, and eight others to Virginia in 1650 and settled on the north side of the Rappahannock River, or his son. FAMILY BACKGROUND. UNCLE: *Samuel Goldsmith* (?–1671). BROTHERS: Matthew; Thomas, from Isle of Wight County, Virginia. MARRIED Mary Collet,