

20 slaves, 1790; 2 slaves received from his father's estate, 1792; a moiety of approximately £745.17.10 being the remainder of his share of his father's estate, ca. 1796; 26 slaves, 1798; assessed value \$3,795.00, including 36 slaves and 300 oz. plate, 1824; gave 41 slaves to his daughters by deeds of gift, 1835. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,019 acres in Queen Anne's County (at least 919 acres from his father). No land was found listed in his name in Talbot County in 1783, but he married the daughter of a Talbot County legislator, and it was probably through her dower that he was elected a delegate from Talbot County. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 422 acres and purchased 345 acres in Queen Anne's County, 1791; owned 2 lots in Easton, Talbot County, plus a moiety of 494 acres in Talbot County possessed in right of his son, 1798; no Talbot County land appeared under his name after 1798; purchased 166 acres in Queen Anne's County, 1804; purchased 236 acres in Queen Anne's County, 1821; bought, sold, mortgaged, leased, and resurveyed some 1,193 acres and 18 lots in Baltimore County between 1800 and 1835, but all or most of it was sold before his death, including at least 165 acres given in a deed of trust to his daughter. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on February 9, 1837, in Queen Anne's County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, \$39,098.30 (including 40 slaves probably the same ones given to his daughters in 1835, servants, 1,116 oz. plate, and books); FB, \$35,063.72. LAND: at least 1,316 acres in Queen Anne's County, possibly also 191 acres and some lots in Baltimore County.

HARRIS, JAMES (1682–1743). BORN: in 1682 in Kent County; only son. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Kent County; Cecil County by 1693; Kent County by 1707. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: *William Harris* (ca. 1644–1712). MOTHER: Joan. SISTERS: Tabitha, who married *Marmaduke Tilden* (?–1726); (first name unknown), who married Thomas Brown, stepson of *William Hopkins* (?–1702); Mary, who married Robert Dunn, son of *Robert Dunn* (ca. 1630–1676); and Margaret, who married *Charles Hynson* (1663–1711). MARRIED first, in 1701 Elizabeth (?–1716), daughter of *Edward Jones* (?–1697). MARRIED second, Augustina (?–1775), daughter of *Matthias Vanderheyden* (?–1729). Her half brother was *Henry Ward* (?–1734). Her sisters were Jane; Francina; and Ariana (1690–?), who married first *James Frisby* (1684–1719), second, *Thomas Bordley* (ca. 1683–1726), and third, *Edmund Jennings*

(?–1756). CHILDREN. SONS: *William Harris* (1704–1748), who married Ariana Margaretta, daughter of *James Frisby* (1684–1719); *Matthias Harris* (1718–1773), who married first, Mary, daughter of Rev. James Wilkinson, and second, Hester Bailey, of Delaware. DAUGHTERS: Elizabeth, who married John Conner; Jane, who married John Carvill; Mary, who married Hercules Coutts; and Sarah, who married Stephen Bordley. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: second generation burgess; Mr., by 1707; Esq., by 1717. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter; surveyor; owned a mill at the time of his death. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Kent County, 1710 (elected to the 3rd session; resigned to become sheriff before the 4th session), 1715 (Elections and Privileges; Laws), 1716–1718 (Laws 1–3), 1725–1727 (Laws 1–4), 1728–1731 (Laws 1–5), 1734/35–1737 (speaker 1–5.); Upper House, 1739–1741, 1742 (died before the 2nd session). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: justice, Provincial Court, 1716–1726 (quorum, 1718–1726); surveyor general, Eastern Shore, 1737–1743; Council, 1739–1742. LOCAL OFFICES: coroner, Cecil County, 1703; justice, Cecil County, 1706, Kent County, 1707–1708, 1714–1716, 1733–1738/39 (quorum, 1708, 1714–1716, 1733–1738/39); St. Paul's Parish Vestry, Kent County, 1709–1711, 1715–1716, 1725; sheriff, Kent County, 1711–1713; surveyor, Talbot County, 1730. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, by 1709–1716; major, 1716–?; colonel, by 1742. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: heir-at-law to over 1,600 acres by 1713. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on December 10, 1743. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £350.14.5 sterling, £3,125.10.4 current money (including 50 slaves and books); FB, £199.17.4 sterling, £91.10.11 current money. LAND: ca. 4,450 acres.

HARRIS, MATTHIAS (1718–1773). BORN: in 1718 in Kent County; probably second son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Kent County, 1718–1752; London, England, ca. 1752; Accomack Parish, Virginia, and All Hallow's Parish, Worcester County, ca. 1753–1759; Lewes (Lewistown), Delaware, ca. 1760; Chester Parish, Kent County, 1767–1769; Christ Church Parish, Kent Island, Queen Anne's County, 1769–1773. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: *James Harris* (1682–1743), son of *William Harris* (ca. 1644–1712), who married first, Elizabeth (?–1716), daughter of *Edward Jones* (?–1697). MOTHER: Augustina, daughter of *Matthias Vanderheyden* (?–1729). AUNTS: Ariana