

William Hemsley (ca. 1634–1685), who immigrated in 1658 from Yorkshire, England, with his wife and daughter. He was a Catholic, whose occupations included those of merchant, doctor, and planter. He served as sheriff of Kent County in 1663, clerk of Talbot County from 1668 to 1674, and justice of Talbot County from 1681 to 1685. During his lifetime he patented ca. 5,000 acres in Maryland. MOTHER: Judith (ca. 1633–?). BROTHERS: Charles (1665–1698/99); *Philemon Hemsley* (1670–1719); and Vincent (1672–1729), the sheriff of Talbot County in 1702. SISTERS: Penelope (1657–?); Judith. MARRIED first, by 1685/86 Cornelia, widow of Robert Noble (?–1684). MARRIED second, Jane. CHILDREN. SON: William (?–1699). STEPSON: Robert Noble. DAUGHTER: Elizabeth. STEPDAUGHTER: Frances Noble, who married *Philemon Hemsley* (1670–1719). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate; possibly educated in England. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant; converted from Roman Catholicism by 1693. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1685/86. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer, admitted to the following courts: Provincial Court in 1695/96; Kent County in 1696. Planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1696–1697 (elected to the 5th session; Laws 5), 1697/98–1698 (Laws 1; died before the 3rd session). LOCAL OFFICES: deputy commissary, Talbot County, 1685; justice, Talbot County, 1695/96–1699 (quorum, 1697–1699). STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: opposed the revolution of Protestant Associators in 1689; a political opponent of Thomas Lawrence, secretary of the Province, who blocked Hemsley's appointment as clerk of Talbot County in 1693. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: over 3,500 acres. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated on May 6, 1699. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £783.17.11 sterling (including 12 servants and 21 books); FB, £413.6.1. LAND: over 2,116 acres.

HEMSLEY (HAMSLEY, HANSLEY, HEMESLEY, HEMSELY, HENESLEY, HENSLEY), WILLIAM (1703–1736). BORN: in 1703; only son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: at "Cloverfields," near Queenstown, Queen Anne's County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: *Philemon Hemsley* (1670–1719). MOTHER: Frances Noble. STEP-MOTHER: Mary Townley, widow of *John Contee* (?–1708). UNCLE: *William Hemsley* (1661/62–1699). SISTER: Anne. MARRIED on December 9, 1725, Anna Maria (1709–1763), daughter of *Richard Tilghman* (1672/73–1738/39); granddaughter of *Philemon Lloyd* (1646–1685); niece of *Edward*

Lloyd (1670–1718/19), *Philemon Lloyd* (ca. 1674–1732/33), *James Lloyd* (1679/80–1723), Rebecca Tilghman (?–1725), who married *Simon Wilmer* (ca. 1656–1699), and Margaret Lloyd (1683–1747), who married *Matthew Tilghman Ward* (ca. 1676–1741); half niece of Susanna Bennett (1666–1714), who married first, *John Darnall* (?–1684), and second, *Henry Lowe* (?–1717). Anna Maria Hemsley subsequently married *Robert Lloyd* (ca. 1712–1770). Her brothers were Philemon (1704–ca. 1724); Richard (1705–1768); *William Tilghman* (1711–1782); *Edward Tilghman* (1713–1786); *James Tilghman* (1716–1793); and *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790). Her sisters were Mary (1702–ca. 1736), who married *James Earle, Jr.* (ca. 1694–1739); Henrietta Maria (1707–1771), who married first, *George Robins* (1697–1742), and second, *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760). Her first cousins were *Matthew Tilghman Ward* (ca. 1676–1741); *Lambert Wilmer* (1682–1732); *Simon Wilmer* (1686–1737); *Edward Lloyd* (1711–1770); *Richard Lloyd* (1717–1786); *Robert Lloyd* (ca. 1712–1770); Henrietta Maria Lloyd Chew (?–1765), who married second, *Daniel Dulany* (1685–1753); Henrietta Maria Lloyd (ca. 1711–1748), who married *Samuel Chamberlaine* (1698–1773); Margaret Lloyd (1714–ca. 1785), who married *William Tilghman* (1711–1782); and Anne Lloyd (ca. 1723–1794), who married *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790). Her nephews were *Michael Earle* (1722–1787); *Richard Tilghman Earle* (1728/29–1788); *Richard Tilghman* (1740–1809); *Matthew Tilghman* (1760–ca. 1801); *James Tilghman* (1743–1809); *Peregrine Tilghman* (ca. 1741–1807); *James Tilghman, Jr.* (ca. 1748–1796); and *William Tilghman* (1756–1827). Her nieces were Anna Maria Earle (1725–1795), who married *Thomas Ringgold* (1715–1772); Henrietta Maria Earle (1730–1767), who married *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812); Margaret Tilghman (1742–1817), who married *Charles Carroll, Barrister* (1723–1783); Anna Maria Tilghman, who married *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812); Elizabeth Tilghman, who married *James Lloyd* (1745–1820); Anna Maria Robins (1732–1806), who married *Henry Hollyday* (ca. 1725–1789); Margaret Robins (1734–1808), who married *William Hayward* (?–1791); and Henrietta Maria Robins (1736–1791), who married *James Lloyd Chamberlaine* (1732–1783). CHILDREN. SONS: Philemon (1728–1752), who died of smallpox in London, England, where he was studying law at the Middle Temple, never married; Richard (?–died young); and *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812). DAUGHTERS: Anna Maria (1726–1790), who never married; Henrietta