

size of estate unknown. LAND: at least 1,746 acres, and probably as much as 2,286 acres, plus 1 lot in Port Tobacco, all in Charles County.

JENIFER (JENNIFER), DANIEL OF ST. THOMAS (1723–1790). BORN: in 1723 in Charles County. NATIVE: fourth generation. RESIDED: at “Retreat,” his home near Port Tobacco in Charles County; Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, by 1766; in 1783 he was living in Annapolis on Lot H; from ca. 1784 until his death he resided on his 800-acre plantation “Stepney” near the South River, four miles from Annapolis. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Dr. Daniel Jenifer (?–ca. 1729), surgeon, of Charles County, the son of Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer (1672–1730), Gent., of St. Mary’s County. STEPFATHERS: John Theobalds; Robert Whythill. MOTHER: Elizabeth Mason, widow of John Rogers (?–1717), daughter of *Robert Mason* (1653–1700) of St. Mary’s County and wife Susanna (?–ca. 1716). UNCLE: *Matthew Mason* (ca. 1689–ca. 1728/29). BROTHER: *Daniel Jenifer* (by 1729–1795). HALF BROTHERS: Richard Rogers; John Rogers; and Rockham Rogers. SISTERS: Betty (?–1791), who married by 1776 *John Eden* (ca. 1728–1775); Elizabeth (?–by 1778), who married Col. David Stone (1709–1773); Ann, who married Josias Adams; and Mary, who married by 1734 Robert Christie of London, England. NEPHEWS: *John Hoskins Stone* (1750–1804); *Michael Jenifer Stone* (1747–1812); and *Thomas Stone* (1743–1787). OTHER KINSHIP: stepgrandmother, Elizabeth Ashcom (?–ca. 1734), daughter of Nathaniel Ashcom of Calvert County; great-grandfather, *Daniel Jenifer* (ca. 1637–ca. 1692); great-uncles, *John Osborne* (?–1687) and *William Whittington* (ca. 1650–1720). MARRIED never. CHILDREN. Died without progeny. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: Jenifer bequeathed all of his books in French to his friend, James Madison, and the rest of his library to his nephew, *Michael Jenifer Stone* (1747–1812). RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, All Hallow’s Parish, Anne Arundel County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1745; Esq., by 1765; Hon., by 1790; lottery manager in Annapolis, 1763. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter; merchant by 1762. Jenifer held one share, valued at £50.0.0 current money, and was a joint partner with Robert J. Hood and his nephew Frederick Stone in the firm of Hood, Stone & Company. This share was later transferred to his niece Catherine Stone Scott. Periodically during the 1760s and 1770s Jenifer sold slaves with *John Ridout*

(1723–1797) and indentured servants with Robert Christie. He also advertised his own slaves for hire and sale. In 1766 he sold salt from his ship *Jenifer* at Annapolis. In 1784 he purchased one-quarter share of the Baltimore Iron Works, probably for investment purposes only. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Charles County, 1756–1757 (elected to the 4th session of the 1754–1757 Assembly to fill vacancy; Bills of Credit 5); Upper House, 1771, 1773–1774 (Claims 1, Cv, 2, 3); Senate, Western Shore, Term of 1776–1781: 1777 (president), 1777–1778 (president), 1778–1779 (president), 1779–1780 (president during the 1st and 2nd sessions; attending Congress at beginning of the 3rd session; reelected president on June 15, 1780), 1780–1781 (president during the 1st session; resigned as president on January 29, 1781, because of illness). OTHER PROVINCIAL/STATE OFFICES: appointed to a commission to settle the boundary dispute with Pennsylvania and Delaware, which resulted in the Mason-Dixon boundary settlement, 1760; justice, Provincial Court, 1766–1773; (quorum, 1773); appointed justice, Assize Court, Eastern Shore, August 1767 and March 1768; appointed justice, Assize Court, Western Shore, October 1768; appointed Rent Roll Keeper of the Western Shore, March 1768; commissioner to review decree of the commissary general, 1771, 1772; Council, 1771–1776 (qualified on September 23, 1771); appointed chief agent escheater and receiver general of rents, September 9, 1771; Councils of Safety, Western Shore, 1st, 1775 (president), 2nd, 1776 (president), 3rd, 1776, 4th, 1776 (president), 5th, 1776–1777 (president); unsuccessful candidate for governor of Maryland, 1782, 1785; served on the joint commission of Maryland and Virginia to settle the question of use and navigation of the Chesapeake Bay, the Potomac River, and the Pocomoke River, with an agreement being reached on March 28, 1785; appointed intendant of the revenue, February 1, 1782, reappointed 1783–1785; appointed agent for special purposes, April 20, 1786–resigned November 7, 1788 (the “special purposes” were: a. to finish the transactions and sales of the late intendant and commissioner of confiscated British property; b. to treat with the Indians for the purchase of their lands in Dorchester County; c. to procure final settlement on other liquidated securities of the United States by purchase or on contract by certain powers of the governor and Council). LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Charles County, 1749–1764; appointed jus-