

1779 (Elections 3; Manufactories 1). **OTHER STATE OFFICE:** Constitution Ratification Convention, St. Mary's County, 1788. **LOCAL OFFICES:** Committee of Observation, St. Mary's County, in office 1776; justice, St. Mary's County, commissioned 1777, 1778 (did not qualify), and 1784 (did not qualify). **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY:** 39 slaves, 1790; assessed value £909.15.6, including 31 slaves and 15 oz. plate, 1793 and 1794; assessed value £750.10.0, including 27 slaves and 15 oz. plate, 1796. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** ca. 1,000 acres in St. Mary's County (ca. 900 acres by inheritance; ca. 100 acres by patent). **WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED:** will probated on March 4, 1800, in St. Mary's County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least \$7,181.66 (including 37 slaves, surveyor's chains and instruments, 12 oz. plate, mill stones, and 60 bushels of wheat sown in the field); FB, £740.13.7. **LAND:** ca. 1,000 acres in St. Mary's County.

SEYMOUR, JOHN (1649–1709). **BORN:** in 1649, in Gloucestershire, England; eldest son. **IMMIGRATED:** in 1704 as governor with his family. **RESIDED:** in Annapolis, Anne Arundel County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER:** Thomas Seymour, Esq. (?–1678), of Bitton, Gloucestershire; son of John Seymour, who was a member of Parliament for Gloucestershire, 1646. **MOTHER:** Elizabeth Lyte. **BROTHER:** Thomas, collector of North Potomac, 1705–1710. **SISTER:** Anne (?–1711), who married *Philip Lynes* (1649–1709). **MARRIED** first, in 1672, Margaret, daughter of Charles Bowles of Chatham. **MARRIED** second, Hester, daughter of Sir John Newton of Bitton, Gloucestershire. **CHILDREN. SONS:** John (?–1741), of Plymouth County, Devonshire, England, a physician; Berkeley (1685–?); and Robert, who married Mary Woodward of Bitton, Gloucestershire. **DAUGHTER:** Jane. **PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** arrived as governor after 36 years of service in the British Army. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** military officer and colonial bureaucrat. **PUBLIC CAREER. PROVINCIAL OFFICES:** governor, commissioned February 12, 1702/3, personally assumed office on April 12, 1704–died in office 1709; chancellor, 1704–1709. **OUT OF COLONY SERVICE:** captain, 1667–1687; lt. colonel of Life Guards, 1687, participated in the French campaigns of William III and in the Spanish campaigns of 1702. **STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES:** battled intensely with the Assembly over his attempted reforms, especially those of judicial

structure and economy. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. ANNUAL INCOME:** as governor, salary of £1,700.0.0 with £30.0.0 a year allowance for rent. **WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED:** on July 30, 1709, in Anne Arundel County; buried August 9, 1709, in St. Anne's churchyard, Annapolis. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, unknown, but legacies in will totalled over £1,500.0.0. **LAND:** manor in England.

SHARPE, HORATIO (1718–1790). **BORN:** in 1718, in Hull, Yorkshire, England; younger son. **IMMIGRATED:** on August 10, 1753, as governor of Maryland. **RESIDED:** in England until 1753; Annapolis, in the “Capital Mansion House” which he leased during his term as governor, 1753–1769; Annapolis and “Whitehall,” Anne Arundel County, 1769–1773; England, 1773–death. In December 1768, Sharpe wrote his brother Gregory that he intended to move from Annapolis “to my Farm about seven miles from Town on which I have a small elegant Lodge,” and to spend winters in Annapolis at the house of *John Ridout* (1732–1797). **FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER:** William Sharpe (ca. 1664–1732/33). **MOTHER:** Margaret, daughter of Thomas Beake, Esq., of London, principal secretary of Maryland, 1714–1732/33. **BROTHERS:** nine, including: John (?–1756), a barrister, member of Parliament for Collington, guardian to *Frederick Calvert* (1731/32–1771), 1751–1756; William (1696–1767), first clerk of His Majesty's Privy Council; Joshua (1707–1786), an attorney; Gregory (1713–1771), an Anglican minister, classical and oriental scholar, chaplain to the Prince of Wales and King George III, and master of the Temple, 1763–1771; Philip (1716–1772), clerk of His Majesty's Privy Council; and James. **SISTERS:** four. **PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION:** Sharpe's letters are clear and concise, his thoughts well formed and their expression literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Esq., by 1753. Sharpe owned and raced blooded horses including the famed “Britannia,” which he raced during 1768–at least 1770. He served as steward at Annapolis Jockey Club meets and offered small purses at races in Anne Arundel and Talbot counties. Sharpe was described upon his arrival at Fort Cumberland, Frederick County, in 1754, as “a stirring, active gentleman,” and as “a very good soldier; cheerful and free, of good conduct, and one who won't be trifled with.” **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** officeholder, planter. Sharpe wrote his brother Philip in 1771 that he spent time each day walking about his farm and garden, adding that they had