

ca. 1752), who married first, Priscilla Paca (?–ca. 1742), daughter of *Aquila Paca* (ca. 1676–1721), and second, Susanna (1718–1806), widow of George Stokes (?–1741). **HALF BROTHERS:** William Dallam (1706–1761), who married Elizabeth Johnson (?–1748); Richard Dallam (1708–ca. 1765), who married Frances Wallis (1711–?). **SISTER:** Elizabeth (?–ca. 1766), who married *John Paca* (ca. 1712–1785). **HALF SISTER:** Christian Dallam (1704–1787), who married *Richard Caswell* (1685–1755). **NEPHEWS:** *Aquila Paca* (1738–1788); *William Paca* (1740–1799). **NIECE:** Frances Paca (?–ca. 1787), who married Smith's half nephew *Richard Dallam* (1743–1820). **MARRIED** on December 23, 1743, Elizabeth. **CHILDREN.** **SONS:** Winston (1750–?); William (1752–?); Nathan (1753–?); Thomas; and John. **DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth (ca. 1745–?), who married (first name unknown) Henderson; Cassandra (1747–1754); Sarah (1749–1797), who married Josias William Dallam (1747–1820); Martha; and Harriet. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Gent., by 1753; Esq., by 1775. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter; surveyor; partner in two mills with his half nephews Josias William Dallam and *Richard Dallam* (1743–1820). **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Baltimore County, 1750–1751 (elected to the 2nd session of the 1749–1751 Assembly), 1756–1757 (elected to the 4th session of the 1754–1757 Assembly). **LOCAL OFFICES:** St. George's Parish Vestry, Baltimore County, 1745–probably 1748, 1750–1751 (resigned), 1753–1756; justice, Baltimore County, 1746—at least 1751 (no records 1751–1753), 1754–1757 (quorum, at least 1751—at least 1756), Harford County, possibly 1774 (quorum; did not serve); justice, Especial Court of Oyer, Terminer, and Gaol Delivery, Baltimore County, 1751 (quorum); Committee of Correspondence, Harford County, 1774, 1775; Committee of Observation, Harford County, February–September 1775. **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, by 1760. **STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES:** signed Bush Declaration, March 22, 1775. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** probably 1,000 acres in Baltimore County (inherited from father). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** sold the 1,000 acres inherited from his father in five parcels, 1752–1769; purchased 160 acres in Baltimore County in 1753, and sold it in 1757 and 1760; purchased the remainder of a 99-year lease to 334 acres of Lord Baltimore's lands, Baltimore County, 1757 and

1760; acquired 100 acres in Baltimore County, 1760; acquired at least 211 acres and possibly as much as 317 acres in Baltimore County before his death. Most, if not all, of Smith's land became part of Harford County. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** between April 18 and June 28, 1777, in Harford County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least £1,556.9.5 current money (including 21 slaves, books worth 60 shillings, silver spoons, and crops "in the mill"). **LAND:** more than 700 acres, probably all in Harford County.

**SMITHSON, THOMAS** (?–1713/14). **BORN:** probably in Yorkshire, England; probably fourth son. **IMMIGRATED:** by 1677, as a free adult; transported three others with him. **RESIDED:** in Talbot County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** probably George Smithson (1620–ca. 1687/88), son of Christopher Smithson (?–1650) of Moulton and his wife Dorothy Calvert. George was the grandson of Leonard Calvert, of Kipling. He was justice of North Riding, Yorkshire, 1654–1660, 1665–1687/88; a member of Parliament representing North Riding, 1654, and the borough of Northallerton, 1658; a major in the army of Parliament during the Commonwealth; colonel, 1660. **MOTHER:** probably Eleanor, daughter of Col. Charles Fairfax. **UNCLE:** probably Thomas Smithson (ca. 1625–1695) of Dorchester County, clerk of Dorchester County, 1681–1687. **BROTHERS:** probably George (1653–?); probably William, clerk of Dorchester County, 1677/78–1681; probably Charles; probably John; and probably Christopher (1670–?). **SISTERS:** Dorothy, who married Michael Fletcher of Richmond, Yorkshire; probably Eleanor; and Mary. **OTHER KINSHIP:** great-uncle, Sir George Calvert, 1st Lord Baltimore (1578/79–1632). **MARRIED** Mary (?–by 1720). **CHILDREN.** Died without progeny. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate, probably well educated. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican, but some Smithson relatives were Roman Catholic. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Esq., by death; the Smithsons of Yorkshire were closely related to the Calverts; Smithson had a long, distinguished career as a judge and legislator. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** merchant, 1677; attorney for Mathew Meriton, salter of London, 1677/78; planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Talbot County, 1694–1697 (Aggravances 3–5, 8, chairman; Laws 7); 1697/98–1700 (speaker 1–4), 1701–1704 (speaker 1–4; absent during the 5th session), 1704–1707 (Laws, 1–2, 5, probably chairman); 1708A (speaker), 1708B–1711 (Laws