

will made monetary bequests totalling £750.0.0 sterling and £70.0.0 current money. LAND: 2,821 acres in Talbot County mentioned in will and 1,288 acres in Talbot and Queen Anne counties charged on the debt books in 1744 and 1748 to his widow and to his principal heir *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790).

WARD, WILLIAM (1727–1776). BORN: on March 19, 1727, in North Sassafras Parish, Cecil County; eldest son. NATIVE: at least second generation, probably third. RESIDED: in Cecil County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: John Ward, possibly son of William Ward. MOTHER: Susanna (1696/97–?), daughter of William Veazey (?–1733) and wife Rosamond. BROTHERS: John (1730–?); Nathaniel (1733–?). SISTERS: Elizabeth (1719–?); Susana (1721–?); Sarah (1723–?); and Rachel (1725–?). MARRIED on March 11, 1757, Rebecca (1737–?), daughter of Thomas Davis and wife Rebecca Gregory. **CHILDREN.** SONS: William (1760–1835), who married on November 25, 1784, Anne (1766–1826), daughter of Edward Veazey and wife Elizabeth Coursey. DAUGHTERS: Susannah; Rebecca; Sarah; and Elizabeth. All of the children were minors in 1776. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican; St. Stephen's Church, North Sassafras Parish, Cecil County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1760. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Cecil County, 1762–1763, 1765–1766 (Elections 2), 1768–1770 (Elections 1–3, Grievances 3), 1771, 1773–1774; Conventions, Cecil County, 1st, 1774, 4th, 1775, 5th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend). LOCAL OFFICES: churchwarden, North Sassafras Parish, Cecil County, 1752–1753; North Sassafras Parish Vestry, elected 1758 and 1760; justice, Cecil County, 1768–1769, 1772–1774 (quorum, 1772–1774). **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,168 acres in Cecil County (47 acres by purchase, 1,121 probably inherited from his grandfather or uncle). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 134 acres in Cecil County, 1766–1769; patented a 205-acre tract that he had been paying quit rents on since 1749, and which was probably inherited land, 1766. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: between February 29 and June 6, 1776; will probated in Cecil County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £1,793.14.9 current money (including 12 slaves, law, history and divinity books, gold and silver jewelry, and a cider mill and press). LAND: ca. 1,300 acres in Cecil County.

WARE, FRANCIS (?–?). BORN: probably in Charles County, of age by 1754; eldest son. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Charles County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: Francis Ware (?–1754) of Charles County. BROTHERS: Jacob; Edward. SISTERS: Susanna, who married (first name unknown) Lockett; Sarah; and Elizabeth. MARRIED by 1764 Ann. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1764; Esq., 1776. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Charles County, 1765–1766 (elected to the 1st session to fill vacancy; Arms and Ammunition 2, 4), 1768–1770 (Grievances 1–3; Arms and Ammunition 1–3), 1771 (discharged on October 14, 1771, for “treating” at the polls; reelected and qualified on November 18, 1771), 1773–1774 (Arms and Ammunition 2, 3); Conventions, Charles County, 1st, 1774, 2nd, 1774, 4th, 1775, 5th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend), 6th–8th, 1775–1776 (did not attend the 7th and 8th Conventions); Lower House, Charles County, 1783 (Grievances), 1784 (Grievances). LOCAL OFFICES: county lieutenant, Charles County, 1777—at least 1782; sheriff, Charles County, 1785–1788. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, Charles County Militia, by 1776; lt. colonel, Smallwood's Maryland Regiment, commissioned January 1776; colonel, 1st Maryland Regiment, commissioned December 1776, resigned February 1777. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** PERSONAL PROPERTY: inherited 3 slaves and 1 servant, 1754; mortgaged 14 slaves, 1789; 18 slaves, 1790. **ADDITIONAL COMMENT:** Ware's tenure as sheriff of Charles County left him in severe financial straits. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 500 acres in Charles County (all inherited from his father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold most, if not all, of his land between 1772 and 1798. Some acreage was sold to pay debts incurred as sheriff of Charles County. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: after 1798. Size of estate unknown.

WARFIELD, ALEXANDER (1678–1740). BORN: in 1678, in Anne Arundel County; probably third son. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Middleneck Hundred, Anne Arundel County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: Richard Warfield (?–1703/4), who was born in Berkshire, England, who was transported ca. 1662, and owned over 1,400 acres at death. MOTHER: Elinor, daughter of Capt. John Browne, a mariner of London. BROTHERS: John (1675–1718), who married in