



FIGURE 4
THE COUNTIES OF MARYLAND

1789

Population (1790): ca. 319,728

Note: The northern and eastern state boundaries were not ascertained until acceptance of the Mason and Dixon Line in 1769. Because of the uncertain metes and bounds described in the Charter, the boundary between Maryland and Virginia (and after 1863, West Virginia) was not officially determined until the 20th century. Shading indicates county boundaries and extent of settlement as determined by Edward B. Mathews.