

young; William (1763-?), who married Mary Nichols. DAUGHTERS: Henney (1758-ca. 1787), who married *Josiah Dashiell* (1746-1784); Patience (1761-?); and Jane (1765-?), who married William Cottman. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, Stepney Parish, Somerset County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1758; fourth generation legislator. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably a planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Somerset County, 1768-1770. LOCAL OFFICES: sheriff, Somerset County, 1764-1767; visitor for a free school that was to be erected for Somerset and Worcester counties (to be named Eden School), appointed 1770. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 426 acres in Somerset County (probably all inherited). WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between May 13 and August 26, 1771, in Somerset County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £1,564.12.3 current money (including 13 slaves); FB, £1,447.10.6. LAND: ca. 426 acres in Somerset County.

DAVIDSON, JOHN (1754-1807). BORN: on June 21, 1754. IMMIGRATED: probably, if so, probably from another colony before 1776. RESIDED: in Anne Arundel County; in Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, from the late 1790s until at least 1801; lived in the Adams-Kilty House on Charles Street, Annapolis. MARRIED on October 2, 1796, Anne Marie Luthall (Lutrell) (ca. 1775-1815), daughter of Thomas Grason (?-by 1786). Her first cousin was probably William Grason (ca. 1788-1868), governor of Maryland from 1839 to 1842. CHILDREN. SONS: John Thomas (?-1821), lieutenant, Eleventh Regiment, U.S. Artillery, who died in St. Augustine, Florida; Pinkney (1803-1821), who died as a cadet at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York. DAUGHTER: Ann Janette, who married in 1821 William Montgomery Waters. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., by 1784; Gent., by 1786. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: played the violin at Annapolis parties; director of the Washington Tontine Company, 1806. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: land speculator; owned a privateer during the Revolution; officeholder. PUBLIC CAREER. STATE OFFICES: naval officer, Third District, appointed 1777; Executive Council, 1783-1784, 1784-1785, 1786-1787, 1787-1788, 1788-1789, 1789-1790, 1790-1791, 1791-1792, 1792-1793, 1793-1794, 1794-1795, 1795-1796, 1796-1797, 1797-1798, 1798-1799, 1799-1800, 1800-1801. LOCAL OFFICES: common councilman, An-

napolis, 1797-1799; churchwarden, St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, in office, 1797; St. Anne's Parish Vestry, Anne Arundel County, in office 1798-1801; alderman, Annapolis, in office 1799, 1801-1805 (resigned); mayor, Annapolis, 1799-1800. MILITARY SERVICE: 2nd lieutenant, Allen's Independent Maryland Company, 1776; captain, Second Maryland Regiment, 1776; major, Fifth Maryland Regiment, 1781-1783 (retired); brigadier general, Eighth Brigade (Calvert and Anne Arundel counties), Maryland Militia, 1794-1795 (resigned). WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: at least 2,000 acres in Anne Arundel and Baltimore counties. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 829 acres of confiscated British property in Baltimore County in the 1780s and took out certificates of survey, but sold the land before patenting it. Sold most of his other Baltimore County land in 1786, and bought 235 acres in Montgomery County and a small amount of acreage in Allegany County between 1794 and 1796. Acquired 250 acres in Queen Anne's County by marriage, 1796. Took out certificates of survey on more than 10,500 acres in Washington and Allegany counties in 1797. Was entitled to 400 acres in Allegany County for his service in the Revolution. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on February 2, 1807, in Baltimore County; buried in Annapolis with full military honors. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £1,622.10.8 current money (including 3 slaves, books, and paintings); FB, estate overpaid £520.10.4. LAND: probably 522 acres in Anne Arundel, Montgomery, and Allegany counties, and at least 7,500 acres in unpatented certificates, plus houses leased out in Annapolis, Georgetown, and Washington, D.C.

DAVIS, JOHN (?-1779). BORN: before 1710 when he is described as a minor, probably in Queen Anne's County. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Wye Hundred, Queen Anne's County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: John Davis (?-1710), of Queen Anne's County, planter. MOTHER: Anne. BROTHER: Thomas (?-1745), of Queen Anne's County, who married Elizabeth. SISTERS: Ann; Mary; Rebecca; and Hester. OTHER KINSHIP: his brothers-in-law were Matthew Williams and Daniel Walker. MARRIED first, before 1745 (name unknown). MARRIED second, by 1761 Margaret, widow of John Alley (?-1756), of Queen Anne's County. CHILDREN. SONS: Thomas, of age by 1750; probably John, Jr. (?-1790), who married by 1761 his probable stepsister Katherine Alley. STEPSONS: John Alley, of age by 1761; William