

1676–1782 Assembly; Accounts 3), 1682–1684 (Accounts 1, 2; Laws, chairman 3), 1686 (died before the 2nd session of the 1686–1688 Assembly). OTHER PROVINCIAL OFFICES: Council, 1679–1687; justice, Provincial Court, 1679–1687; Board of Deputy Governors, 1684–1687. LOCAL OFFICES: quorum justice of the Eastern Shore, 1665–1666; justice, Somerset County, 1666–1687 (quorum); coroner, Somerset County, 1666; keeper of weights and measures, Somerset County, 1671. MILITARY SERVICE: commander of horse, Somerset and Dorchester counties, 1681–1687; colonel, 1681–1687. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: valued proprietary supporter who was influential in settling the Eastern Shore for the Lords Baltimore. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 3,000 acres. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 2,000 acres, 1670. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: on December 23, 1687, in Somerset County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, at least £468.12.10, plus 467,070 pounds of tobacco, 5,120 feet of plank, 5,688 pounds of pork, and £297.17.8 in debts due the estate (including 3 servants, 10 slaves, 20 books, plate worth £19.9.0, and goods and livestock found in 4 plantation houses and 1 townhouse). LAND: over 1,000 acres.

STEVENSON, EDWARD (?–1716). IMMIGRATED: perhaps by 1694, definitely by 1700/1, as a free adult. RESIDED: in Baltimore County. MARRIED first, Ann. MARRIED second, Mary. Mary Stevenson subsequently married by 1719 Henry Satyr (Sater). CHILDREN. SONS: Edward (ca. 1703–1760), who married Susanna; Richard King (ca. 1705–1777), who married Rachel; Henry, who married in 1735 Jemima Merryman; and John (?–1786), who married first, Mary Tipton (ca. 1717–?), and second, Susanna. DAUGHTERS: Sarah (1701–?); Mary, who married George Brown; and Elizabeth (?–by 1719), who married William Barney (?–1746/47). **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: this may have been the Edward Stevenson who was a taxable in the households of William Wilkinson in 1694 and John Ouldton in 1695; Gent., by 1701. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant; factor and agent for Peter Pagan and Isaac Milner, London merchants; planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Baltimore County, 1712–1714 (election voided at the 1st session; reelected to the 2nd session of the 1712–1714 Assembly). LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Baltimore County, in of-

fice 1709. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: ca. 1,400 acres in Baltimore County. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: between January 25, 1715/16, and April 17, 1716, in Baltimore County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £787.15.2 current money (including 1 servant, 6 slaves, and books); FB, £583.1.9 current money. LAND: ca. 1,400 acres in Baltimore County.

STEVENSON, JOHN (ca. 1739–1804). BORN: in February, ca. 1739, in Baltimore County; fourth son. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Mine Run Hundred, Baltimore County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** FATHER: Edward Stevenson (ca. 1703–1760), a merchant of Baltimore County, son of *Edward Stevenson* (?–1716). MOTHER: Susanna. BROTHERS: Edward (1725–1794), who married Rachel and moved to Frederick County by 1783; William (ca. 1731–?); Henry (1737–1816), who married Rachel (1736–1815), daughter of *Samuel Owings* (1702–1775); and Joshua (1742–1799), who married Elizabeth. SISTERS: Sarah (1733–?); Mary (ca. 1734–1820), who never married. MARRIED on August 11, 1763, Esther (Anther, Athea) (1737–?), daughter of Luke Wyle (?–1771) of Baltimore County and wife Kasiah (Cassandra). Esther had ten brothers and sisters. Her brothers included Matthew (1730–?); William (1731/32–?), who married in 1753 Elizabeth Little; Luke (1740–?); and Walter (1742–?), who married in 1763 Susannah Norris. Her sisters included Mary (1735–?), who married in 1754 Edward Norris. CHILDREN. SONS: possibly included Joshua; Josias. **PRIVATE CAREER.** EDUCATION: literate. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: probably planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: 9th Convention, Baltimore County, 1776; Lower House, Baltimore County, 1777, 1777–1778, 1778–1779 (Elections 2), 1779–1780, 1780–1781, 1783, 1784, 1785. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** PERSONAL PROPERTY: wife received about £40.0.0 from her father's estate, 1772; assessed value £319.10.0, including 4 slaves, 1783; 6 slaves, 1790. ADDITIONAL COMMENT: By December 1786, Stevenson had owed money to a Charles Ridgely for some time. He wrote Ridgely citing a "great affliction in my family," which prevented him from paying more than £10.10.0 of his debt. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: lease on 125 acres of Carroll's Manor (Climmilara), Baltimore County (inherited from father). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: leased an additional 100 acres of Carroll's Manor, Baltimore County, 1787. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** DIED: on July 3, 1804,