

thirty slaves to be set free after various terms of service, 1788. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** assessed value £1,081.6.8, including 25 slaves and 86 oz. plate, 1783. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 1,736 acres in Talbot and Caroline counties (1,636 acres inherited from his family; 100 acres by purchase). **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** between March 3 and July 18, 1788, in Talbot County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £1,710.2.1 current money (including 29 slaves, probably the same ones who were manumitted after various terms of service in 1788, 84 oz. plate, and books); FB, £552.16.2. **LAND:** 1,736 acres in Talbot and Caroline counties.

BISHOP, HENRY (?-by 1644/45). **BORN:** probably in England. **IMMIGRATED:** in 1634 as an indentured servant. **RESIDED:** in St. Mary's County. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** illiterate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** probably a Catholic; close association with the Jesuits. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** servant, free writ 1637/38; planter; partner with Simon Demibiel, 1640. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Assembly, Mattapanient Hundred, St. Mary's County, 1638/39, present 1641/42, Mattapanient Hundred, St. Mary's County, 1642A. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** by 1644/45; size of estate unknown.

BISHOP, SMITH (?-1783). **BORN:** of age by 1771. **RESIDED:** in Acquango Hundred, Worcester County. **MARRIED** ca. 1771 Hannah (?-1807), daughter of James Stewart (?-1763). **CHILDREN.** **DAUGHTERS:** Elizabeth; Esther; and Sarah. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** physician. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Conventions, Worcester County, 3rd, 1774, 6th-8th, 1775-1776 (did not attend the 7th Convention), 9th, 1776 (election voided on August 15, 1776, because voter qualifications had not been ascertained as prescribed by the 8th Convention resolves; reelected and seated); Lower House, Worcester County, 1777. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** 9 slaves, 1771. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 1,060 acres in Worcester County (wife's dower), and 1 lot in Snow Hill, Worcester County. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** administration bond taken, August 1783 in Worcester County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, at least £947.18.9 current money (including 15 slaves). **LAND:** 1,060 acres in Worcester County, and one and one-third lots in Snow Hill, Worcester County.

BISHOP, WILLIAM (?-1685). **BORN:** probably in England. **IMMIGRATED:** in 1663 as a free adult.

RESIDED: in Kent County; Talbot County, after 1675. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **BROTHERS:** Richard; John. **SISTER:** Joan, who married Gregory Salter. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Gent. on arrival. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter; merchant. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Kent County, 1671-1674/75. **LOCAL OFFICES:** justice, Kent County, 1669-1670, Talbot County, 1675/76-1685. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 200 acres by 1672. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** will probated on May 9, 1685. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £478.3.9 sterling, plus 74,068 pounds of tobacco (including 14 servants). **LAND:** over 1,400 acres.

BLACKISTON (BLAKISTON, BLACKISTONE, BLAKISTONE), EBENEZER (ca. 1684-ca. 1746/47). **BORN:** ca. 1684; elder son. **NATIVE:** probably second generation. **RESIDED:** in Kent County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** Ebenezer Blakiston (ca. 1650-1709), probably immigrated in 1668 with his father, George Blakiston (?-1669); militia captain in 1689; justice of Cecil County in 1691, 1697-1698, and 1702; sheriff of Cecil County in 1691; Protestant. **MOTHER:** Elizabeth James. **BROTHER:** *William Blackiston* (?-1737). **SISTER:** Anna Blakiston. **OTHER KINSHIP:** his second cousin was *Nehemiah Blakiston* (?-1693); his third cousin was *Nathaniel Blakiston* (ca. 1663-1722). **MARRIED** by 1712/13 Sarah, daughter of Thomas Joce (?-1712/13). She subsequently married John Garrett. Her brothers were Nicholas (?-1734); Thomas. **CHILDREN.** **DAUGHTER:** Rosamond, who married by 1748 William Wilmer. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican, St. Paul's Parish, Kent County. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Gent., 1720. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Kent County, 1724 (elected to the 3rd session to fill vacancy), 1727 (elected to the 4th session to fill vacancy), 1728-1731, 1732-1734. **LOCAL OFFICES:** justice, Kent County, 1733-at least 1744; justice, Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery, Kent County, commissioned 1740; coroner, Kent County, appointed 1740. **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, 1724; major, 1745. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 775 acres in Kent County. **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** purchased 1 lot in Chestertown, Kent County, 1730-1735; assumed the administration of 550 acres in Kent County as guardian for his nephew Pascoa Joce from 1734 to