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SERVICE: delegate, Continental Congress, 1775-1776 (elected on December 9, 1775, to fill vacancy; reelected in May 1776; served on Committee of Qualifications, Committee of Claims, Committee to Consider the Report of the Indian Commissioners, and the Marine Committee); presidential elector, 1789. ADDITIONAL COM-MENT: Rogers was one of the three Maryland delegates present in the Continental Congress on July 2, 1776, and July 4, 1776, when, respectively, the vote for independence was taken and the Declaration of Independence was adopted. Rogers was not returned to Congress by the 8th Convention, so he was not among the Marylanders who on August 2, 1776, signed the engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: received 1.000 bushels of wheat in lieu of his chancellor's salary, 1782-1783. ANNUAL INCOME: received ca. £1,000.0.0 per month as salary while chancellor of Maryland, 1780. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: wife owned at least 300 acres in Prince George's County at the time of their marriage. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 144 acres in Prince George's County, 1775; purchased 7 lots (including at least 1 house and a small tenement) in Upper Marlborough, by 1778; purchased a house and lot in Annapolis, 1784; probably purchased an unknown number of lots in Georgetown, Montgomery County. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on September 23, 1789, in Annapolis. PERSONAL PROPERTY: Inventory totaled £927.14.4 (including 12 slaves, 103 oz. plate, a law library and other books, and a case of mathematical instruments), but size of entire estate unknown. LAND: 7 lots in Upper Marlborough and 444 acres in Prince George's County, 1 lot in Annapolis, an unknown number of lots in Washington, D.C. (Carrollsburgh), and an unknown number of lots in Georgetown, Montgomery County. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: his obituary noted that "His affability and constant cheerfulness, which the anguish of a painful disorder could never quite extinguish, endeared him to his aquaintances. In a word, the public and private virtues of this valuable man render his loss a matter of real concern and importance to his country."

ROUND (ROWND), JAMES (?-1701). IMMI-GRATED: in 1677 as a free adult, probably from London, England. RESIDED: in Snow Hill, Somerset County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. BROTHERS: William of Somerset County, a merchant, who married Martha, daughter of John Wood (?-1695/ 96) of Dorking, Surrey County; Edward, an ironmonger of London. NEPHEW: Edward Morris, son of Zachary Morris of London, an ironmonger. MARRIED Mary, daughter of John Wood (?-1695/ 96) of Dorking, Surrey County, a clerk. Mary married second, in 1702, John Edgar (?-1705), and third, Rev. John Hampton (?-1721/22), a Presbyterian minister at Snow Hill. CHILDREN. Probably died without progeny. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant, probably Presbyterian. SOCIAL STA-TUS AND ACTIVITIES: Mr., at first appearance in county court, 1683; Esq., by death. OCCUPA-TIONAL PROFILE: planter, owned a water mill; attorney, 1691; merchant, partner in Joseph Hendry & Co., 1700. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Somerset County, 1686-1688 (Accounts 2), 1701 (died before the 1st session of the 1701-1704 Assembly). OTHER PRO-VINCIAL OFFICE: justice, Provincial Court, 1699-1700. LOCAL OFFICES: justice, Somerset County, 1687-1699; coroner, Somerset County, 1688. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: supported Revolution of Protestant Associators in 1689. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELEC-TION: ca. 1,300 acres. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: by May 12, 1701; will probated May 26, 1701. PER-SONAL PROPERTY: TEV, at least £1,732.17.2 (including 14 servants and 2 slaves). LAND: probably 2,454 acres.

ROUSBY, CHRISTOPHER (?-1684). BORN: in England. IMMIGRATED: by 1666, as a free adult with his brother. RESIDED: in Calvert (later became St. Mary's) County; "Susquehana Point," on the the south side of the mouth of the Patuxent River, Calvert (later became St. Mary's) County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. BROTHERS: John Rousby (?-1685/86); William, a London grocer. NEPHEW: John Rousby (1685-1744). MARRIED by 1669 Elizabeth, widow of Richard Collett (?-1668), who was sheriff of Calvert County, 1663-1664, 1667-1668. CHILDREN. Probably died without progeny. PRIVATE CAREER, EDUCATION: literate, probably attended one of the Inns of Court. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STATUS AND AC-TIVITIES: proved rights for transporting nine others at arrival; Gent., by 1676/77; returned to England in the years 1681-1682 to defend his position against the proprietor. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant by 1668; lawyer; royal placeman. PUB-LIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Calvert County, 1676-1682 (Accounts 2; Laws