

(by 1724–1771). STEP OR HALF BROTHERS: Edward Fottrell; Thomas Fottrell. SISTERS: Mary (1728/29–?); Elinor; and Elizabeth (1730–1758). HALF SISTER: Achsah Fottrell. FIRST COUSINS: Eleanor Dorsey, who married *Upton Sheredine* (1740–1800); *Thomas Dorsey* (?–1790); *Harry Dorsey Gough* (ca. 1745–1808); Achsah Dorsey (1746–1799), who married *Ephraim Howard* (1745–1788); Rebecca Dorsey (1739–1812), who married *Charles Ridgely* (1733–1790); Eleanor Dorsey (ca. 1739–1805), who married *John Hall* (1729–1797); Mary Dorsey (?–1816), who married *John Weems* (1727–1794); Elizabeth Dorsey (?–ca. 1811), who married *Richard Ridgely* (1755–1824); *Charles Ridgely, of John* (ca. 1749–1786); Deborah Ridgely (1749–1817), who married *John Sterett* (1750/51–1787); Mary Ridgely (?–1804), who married *Benjamin Nicholson* (?–1792); Frances Todd, who married *George Risteau* (?–1792); and Deborah Lynch (?–1810), who married *Samuel Owings, Jr.* (1733–1803). OTHER KINSHIP: great uncle, *Amos Garrett* (1671–1727/28). MARRIED on January 8, 1755, Mary, daughter of Richard Young (1693–1748) and wife Rebecca Holdsworth (1716–?). Mary was the granddaughter of both *Samuel Young* (1662–1736) and *Thomas Holdsworth* (ca. 1692–1718). She was the stepgranddaughter of *Benjamin Mackall* (1675–1761). She was the niece of Mary Holdsworth (1713–?), who married *Benson Bond* (1710–1750); Betty Holdsworth (1715–?), who married *James Heigh* (?–1757). She was the half niece of *Benjamin Mackall, Jr.* (ca. 1723–1795); Barbara Mackall (1722–?), who married *William Wilkinson* (?–1755). Mary Young Woodward married second, in 1763, John Hesselius (1728–1778) of Anne Arundel County, an artist. CHILDREN. DAUGHTERS: Rebecca (1756–1818), who married in 1776 Philip Rogers; Achsah (ca. 1757–?); Mary, who married in 1775 James Govane, son of *William Govane* (1716/17–1768); and Harriet, who married first, in 1783, Edmund Brice (1752–1784), and second, William Murray of Montgomery County. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., by 1756; Esq., by 1759; owned a “brood of English Horses” at death. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter; also owned a warehouse in Annapolis and was probably engaged in some mercantile activity. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Annapolis, 1757–1758. LOCAL OFFICE: churchwarden, St. Anne’s Parish, Anne Arundel County, 1755–1756. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,321 acres in Anne Arundel

County, and at least 2.5 lots in Annapolis (150 acres inherited from father, 2 lots in Annapolis acquired through mother and grandfather Dorsey, 1,171 acres and at least one-half lot acquired through marriage). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: purchased 814 acres in Anne Arundel County in 1758; sold his wife’s Annapolis property, 1760. ADDITIONAL COMMENT: Woodward loaned over £2,044.0.0 sterling to Charles Homewood, stepson of *William Govane* (1716/17–1768), in October 1760, which Homewood secured with a mortgage to Woodward of 2,231 acres of land in Anne Arundel County. Five months later, Woodward lent Homewood an additional £299.0.0 sterling and gained from Homewood the timber rights and actual occupation of the mortgaged property in lieu of interest. Homewood guaranteed that he would not redeem the mortgage before 1771 unless he married Mary Chew (1736–1774), daughter of Samuel Chew (ca. 1704–1736/37), prior to that date. Homewood was married to Elizabeth Wright, at least at the time of the first mortgage. Mary Chew married *William Paca* (1740–1799) in 1763. In 1795, after Homewood’s death, his daughter Mary brought suit in Chancery Court against Woodward’s heirs to gain title to the mortgaged land. She stated that because Homewood was of “very feeble and weak mind” with “few lucid intervals,” he was at the mercy of “unscrupulous men” like Woodward. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on September 20, 1761, at his plantation in Anne Arundel County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £4,371.17.9 sterling, £2,345.18.3 current money (including 20 slaves, 8 servants, over 194 oz. plate, a violin, corn and wheat valued at over £330.0.0 current money, and income from sales and leases of real property); FB, £1,990.8.8 current money. LAND: 2,135 acres in Anne Arundel County and 2 lots in Annapolis, plus 2,231 acres in Anne Arundel County held on mortgage from Homewood.

WOOLFORD (WOOLLFORD), JAMES (ca. 1736–ca. 1783). BORN: ca. 1736 in Dorchester County. NATIVE: third generation. RESIDED: in Middle District, Dorchester County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: James Woolford (ca. 1680–1758) of Dorchester County, a planter, son of *Roger Woolford* (?–ca. 1701/2). MOTHER: Elizabeth, possibly the daughter of David Peterkin (?–1736) of Dorchester County, a planter, and wife Mary (?–1738). UNCLE: *Roger Woolford* (1670–1730). AUNTS: Sarah Woolford (1672/73–by 1730),