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Personal Information	Notes All PDF			
Name	Sarah (Unproven) N	Mills		
Birth	Between 1666 and 1670	Calvert County, Maryland 🔑		
Gender	Female			
Death	9 May 1734	Prince George's County, Maryland - probate 🔑		
Person ID	I12765	Tree1		
Last Modified	15 Oct 2024			
Father	William Mills, b. 1628, England . d. 26 Apr 1676, Calvert County, Maryland (Age 48 years)			
Relationship	natural			
Mother	Tabitha Wight, b. 1647, Metfield, Suffolk, England a d. 20 Jan 1701, Prince George's County, Maryland - inventory a (Age 54 years)			
Relationship	natural			
Marriage	1666	Calvert County, Maryland 👂		
Family ID	F1237	Group Sheet Family Chart		
Family	Samuel Magruder, b. 1661, Calvert County, Maryland a. 16 Apr 1711, Upper Marlboro, Prince George's County, Maryland - Probate a. (Age 50 years)			
Marriage	1686	Calvert County, Maryland 🚇		
Children	1. Ninian Magruder, b. 1686, Calvert County, Maryland d. 26 Jun 1751,			

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years) [Father: natural]

Upper Marlboro, Prince George's County, Maryland - Probate 👂 (Age 65

		der, b. 1687, Calvert County, Maryland 2 d. 9 Feb 1779, nty, Maryland - probate 2 (Age 92 years) [Father:	
		uder, b. 1689, Calvert County, Maryland A d. Aft 13 Aug County, Maryland A (Age > 75 years) [Father: natural]	
		er, b. 1689, Calvert County, Maryland . d. Between Prince George's County, Maryland . (Age 21 years)	
	5. <u>Mary Magruder</u> < 40 years) [Fath	r, b. 1693, Calvert County, Maryland . d. Bef 1734 (Age er: natural]	
		b. 1694, Calvert County, Maryland d. 14 Sep 1750, County, Maryland - probate (Age 56 years) [Father:	
		er, b. 25 Jan 1697, Prince George's County, Maryland '5, Prince George's County, Maryland - probate (Age ratural)	
	8. Verlinda Magruder, b. 1698, Prince George's County, Maryland 2 d. 29 Mar 1745, Prince George's County, Maryland - probate 2 (Age 47 years) [Father: natural] 9. William Mills Magruder, b. 1701, Prince George's County, Maryland 2 d. 22 Jul 1765, Prince George's County, Maryland - probate 2 (Age 64 years) [Father: natural] 10. Eleanor Magruder, b. 1705, Calvert County, Maryland 2 [Father: natural] 11. Alexander Magruder, b. 1706, Prince George's County, Maryland 2 d. 12 Jun 1751, Frederick County, Maryland - probate 2 (Age 45 years) [Father: natural] 12. Nathaniel Magruder, b. 1707, Prince George's County, Maryland 2 d. Aft 1711, Prince George's County, Maryland 2 (Age > 5 years) [Father: natural]		
Family ID	F1404	Group Sheet Family Chart	
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Notes

=== Research notes by Donna Cooper

At the death of William Mills in 1676, his will (Calvert County) named his wife Tabitha, sons named were William Jr. and John and listed his unnamed daughters. Overseers of the estate were Alexander Magruder, Samuel Tayler and Ninian Beall. One of the witnesses to the will was Richard Chaffey. Below are some facts that will add to the idea that Samuel Magruder was probably married to one of William's daughters.

In 1677 when Alexander Magruder died in Prince George's County, MD, his will named almost the same people. And mentioned overseers: Samuel Taylor, Ninian Beall and Nathaniel Truman.

After the death of William Mills, Tabitha, widow of William Mills, remarried to Thomas Blanford. Thomas Blanford's will of 1698 (Prince George's County) names as overseers: Samuel Magruder, William Mills (William Jr.), and Edward Willett (husband of Tabitha's daughter, Tabitha Mills).

Richard Chaffey, a witness to the will of William Mills, Sr. has a will proved in 1698 Prince George's Co., MD. The overseers were Samuel Magruder and Edward Willett.

Samuel Magruder, Edward Willett, and John Smith were asked in the will of Thomas Sprigg, Sr. to divide the residue of his estate in 1704 in Prince George's Co., MD. Thomas Sprigg's daughter, Eleanor, married Thomas Hilleary. When Thomas Hilleary died, William Mills, Jr. signed the inventory as next of kin.

On the 22nd November 1711 Sarah brought into court a mulatto child. That record reads: "Sarah Magruder brings into open Court Isabella Grimes and delivers her up to the Court she haveing accomplished her indented time serve Major Thomas Sprigg 7 years said Grimes having been presented for haveing a Mallatto Child." [Page 124, Prince George's Co., MD, Court Records, Maryland Archives, Court Record 1710-1715, Liber G]

In Samuel Magruder's will of 1711, Prince George's County, MD, was witnessed by Edward Willett, Tabitha Willett (Edward's wife) and Ann Smith. Anchovie Hills, the home plantation of Alexander Magruder, bordered "Trenant", the home plantation of William Mills, Sr., which adds to the fact that Sarah was probably one of the unnamed daughters in William Mills' will.

Benjamin Berry, in his will of 1719, Prince George's County, MD, named as overseers: Samuel Magruder Jr., Thomas Hilleary Jr., Edward Willett and John Clagett. Benjamin Berry's wife was Mary Hilleary, brother to Thomas Jr.

Samuel Magruder and Sarah named a son William. And the most reveling part of this family connection is that they had a grandson by their son Samuel, who was named William Mills Magruder.

And Samuel Magruder and Edward Willett were Prince George's County officals.

In the name of God, Amen. I Sarah Magruder of Prince George's County in the Province of Maryland, Widow, being well and in health of body and of sound disposing mind and Memory, praised be almighty God therefore Considering the Certainty of Death and the Uncertainty of the time thereof, do make and declare these present for and in my last Will and testament in manner and form following. That is to say, first & principally my Soul I recommend into the hands of almighty God my Creator who gave it trusting & assuredly believing that in and through the alone merits and mediation of my blessed Savoir and redeemer Jesus Christ, to obtain free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and life everlasting in the World to Come. my Body I comit to the Earth from whence it came to be Decently interred at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named. And to the disposing of my Worldly Estate wherewith God of his Goodness hath blessed me in this World after my Just Debts and funeral expenses being thereout first paid and Satisfied I give and dispose thereof in manner and form following: Imprimis: my land called Head Ake lying in the Eastern Branch of Potowmack Containing three hundred Acres

I will and bequeath to be equally Divided between my Daughter Eleanor Wade, wife of Nehemiah Wade, and Sarah Claggett, Daughter of George Claggett and my daughter Mary Claggett descd and the Heirs of their Bodies lawfully begotten and to be (held) by them forever.

My Said Daughter Eleanor Wade to have new Quarter on the said land Woodland Ground thereunto Conveniently adjoining the whole to Contain one hundred and fifty acres and the said Sarah Clagett to have the Plantation lately in possession of the said George Clagett and the remainder of the said Land but if either of them shall Decease without Heirs Lawfully begotten then the said Land to go to the Survivour and the Heirs of Her Body lawfully begotten forever. Item: I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Beall, wife of William Bell, one Silver Tankard to her own use benefit and disposal. Item: I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Verlinda Bell one Silver Tankard to her own use benefit and Disposal.

Item: I Will and bequeath unto my Daughter Eleanor Wade two Silver Tumblers, two Silver Salt and Six Silver Spoons to her own use Benefit and disposal.

Item: I Will and bequeath unto Mary Edmonson Six Silver Spoons. Item: I Will and bequeath unto William Selby, son of William Selby, Six Silver Spoons and one Negro Girl.

Item: I Will and bequeath unto Sarah Magruder, Daughter of Ninian Magruder, my Son, one Negro Man called Will.

Item: I Will and bequeath unto John Magruder, Son of my said son Ninian Magruder, one Mulatto by name of Bailey.

Item: I Will and bequeath unto Samuel Bell, Son of Ninian Bell, desc, one Negro boy named Bachelor now in Possession of the said Samuel Bell. Item: I Will and bequeath unto the said Sarah Claggett one Negro Girl. Item: I Will and bequeath unto my Sons and Daughters John, James, Verlinda, Alexander, and Eleanor each one working Negro all the rest and residue of my Personall estate not before bequeathed I Will and bequeath to be equally Divided between my Sons and Daughters Samuel, Ninian, Elizabeth, John, James, Verlinda, William, Alexander, and Eleanor and my said Granddaughter Sarah Clagett. Lastly I do hereby revoke make Null and Void all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming these presents for and as my Last Will and Testament and do hereby nominate ordain Constitute and appoint my Son John Magruder and John Bell Executors of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this Sixteenth Day of January in the year of our Lord God one Thousand seven Hundred thirty and one. Signed, Sealed, Published and Declared In the presence of Jas Baldwin, Adamson, Ann Adamson, Rupert Butler. On 1 May 1734 came John Baldwin Addamson and Ann Addamson ... Prince George's Co., MD, Will Liber T, fol. 235

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Magruder, Sarah, widow, Prince George Co.,

16 Jan. 1731: wrote will, probated 28 Sept. 1734 (Orphans court Bk J, Page 2325-36)

Land, called HEAD AKE, lying in the Eastern Branch of Potowmack, containing 300 acres, to be equally divided bewteen daughter, Eleanor Wade, wife of Nehemiah Wade and Sarah Claggett, daughter of George Clagett and my daughter Mary Claggett, decd.

to dau. Elizabeth Beall, wife of William Bell, one silver tankard to dau. Verlinda Bell, one silver tankard

to dau. Eleanor Wade, two silver tumblers, two silver salts and six silver

to Mary Edmonson, six silver spoons

to William Selby, son of William Selby, six silver spoons and one negro girl to Sarah Magruder, daughter of Ninian, my son, one negro man called Will to John Magruder, son of said son, Ninian, one malotto boy named Bailey to Samuel Belt, son of Ninian Bell, desc., one negro boy named Batchelor now in possession of said Samuell Bell

to Sarah Clagett, one negro girl

to sons and daughters: John, James, Verlinder, Alexander, Eleanor: one working negro

to sons and daughters: Samuel, Ninian, Elizabeth, John, James, Verlinda, William, Alexander and Eleanor and granddaughter Sarah Clagett ...

execs: John Magruder and John Bell

wit: Jno. Baldwin Adamson, Anne Adamson June 1734: inventory five pages long; kin: Samuel and Ninian Magruder; creditors Jo: Coswell, Joseph Casser, exec: John Magruder, John Beal (merchant)

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Mrs. Sarah Magruder 20.54 Page E543.17.4 Sep 3 1734 Sep 28 1734 Appraisers: Thomas Clagett, Richard Keene.

Creditors: John Caswell, Joseph Easer.

Next of kin: Samuel Magruder, Ninian Magruder.

Administrators/Executors: Mary Magruder, John Magruder, John Beal (merchant).

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Sarah Magruder (widow) 13.31 A Page £543.17.4 £185.19.8 Apr 22 1735 Received from: Jonas Lewis, John Magruder, Joseph Adams.

Payments to: Dr. John Haswell, Joseph Ensor, Peter Hoggins, John Beal (accountant), Nehemiah Wade, John Gibson due Daniel Dulany, Esq. Legatees: Elisabeth Beal (daughter), Virlinda Beal (daughter) wife of John Beal (accountant), Elioner Wade (daughter), William Selby, John Magruder (accountant), James Magruder (son), Alexander Magruder (son).

Executors: MM John Magruder, John Beal (gentleman).

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Sarah Magruder 15.38 A Page Jun 22 1736

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Received from: William Hunt, Samuell Hide, James Magruder. Payments to: Benjamin Tasker & Danniell Dulany, Esq., Peter Dent, Danniell Dulany, Esq., Alexander Contee, Dr. Joseph Coleman, Dr. Thomas Creigo. Payments to (in equal amounts): Samuell Magruder, Ninian Magruder, William Beale, James Magruder, William Magruder, Alexander Magruder, Nehemiah Wade, John Magruder (accountant), John Beale (accountant). Legatees: John Magruder (grandson), James Edmonson for Mary Edmonson (granddaughter),

Executors: MM John Magruder, John Beal (gentleman).

----Original Message-----

From: MDPGEORG-L-request@rootsweb.com [mailto:MDPGEORG-L-

request@rootsweb.com] On Behalf Of Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2006 1:49 AM To: MDPGEORG-L@rootsweb.com

Subject: [MDPGEORG] Land Tracts in Prince George's County

Hi Gwen,

I also looked at that same series of depositions a few years ago. That was in response to Brice Clagett's theory that John POTTINGER/POTTENGER's wife Mary was a MULLIKIN, and Samuel MAGRUDER's wife Sarah was a POTTINGER, and sister to John. You can see the results of that search at: http://archiver.rootsweb.com/th/read/BEALL/2002-03/1015045835

After that research, Brice Clagett abandoned that theory.

Although I dealt a little with MOCKBEE, I was not looking at Higginson MOCKBEE or how he tied in.

Incidentally, for anyone interested in John POTTINGER's wife Mary, and Samuel MAGRUDER's wife Sarah, the theory that I believe is likely correct is one proposed by Peter McManus, that they are MILLS (not BEALLs), the daughters of William MILLS and wife Tabitha.

Rick Saunders

http://fzsaunders.com/beall.html

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Mr. Samuel Magruder 33A.38 A Page £501.15.4 £83.18.8 Dec 31 1711 Received from: William Head, Elisabeth Clark, Nin. Magruder. Payments to: Mr. Benjamin Bradley & James Bradley, Mr. Josiah Wilson, Benjamin Berry, Thomas Applegate, Joseph Story, Mr. John Gerrard for Millner & Co., Rebecca Ellis, John Lane.

Legatees: Elisabeth Beall (daughter).

Mentions: Mr. Isaac Millner. Executrix: Mrs. Sarah Magruder.

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Priscilla Gray, born say 1708, was a "malatto" servant of Mrs. Sarah Magruder, Sr., of Prince George's County in November 1727 when she confessed to the court that she had an illegitimate child by a "negroe." On 23 March 1730/1 the court presented her for having another child by information of the constable for Mount Calvert Hundred. She admitted her guilt, and the court ordered that she receive five lashes and serve her mistress an additional nine months. The court called her "Priscilla Gray alias Malatto Priscilla" when it bound her son Dick, aged about three months, to Lingan Wilson until the age of twenty-one. In November 1732 she was called a "Mollatto Woman born of a white Woman" when she confessed to having a child by "Malatto George belonging to Mr. William Digges." The Court ordered her to serve an additional seven years and bound her son William for thirty-one years. She was presented for the same offense in March 1735, and on 28 November 1738 the court bound her "Mallatto" son Joseph, born 9 August 1738, to her master, William Magruder, until the age of thirty-one. She may have had a common-law marriage with a member of the Grimes family since she was called "Priscilla Grimes Als Gray" on 26 November 1745 when she confessed to having an illegitimate child named Kate who was bound to William Magruder until the age of thirty-one. On 27 November

1750 she confessed to "Mollatto Bastardy," and the court ordered that she serve seven years and bound her daughter Anne to William Magruder until the age of thirty-one [Court Records 1726-7, 626; 1730-2, 2, 5; 1732-4, 118; 1734-5, 357; 1738-40, 199; 1744-6, 298-9; 1749-50, 244].

Isabella Grimes, born say 1690, completed her indented time by 27 November 1711 when her mistress Sarah Magruder delivered her to the Prince George's County court. The Court sold her to Major Thomas Spriggs for seven years as punishment for a prior conviction of "Mulatto Bastardy." She had another child before 25 August 1713 when the court punished her for having an illegitimate child and running away from her master for eleven days. On 23 March 1713/4 the court sold her "Mallatto" child to John Henry until the age of thirty-one [Court Record 1710-5, 124, 386, 388, 540, 542].

GEN-MEDIEVAL-L Archives From: "Clagett, Brice" Subject: Beall/Magruder

Date: Tue, 27 Nov 2001

As to the wives of Samuel Magruder and John Pottenger: it is true that Sarah Bell and Mary Bell were transported to Maryland, though it seems unlikely that they were sisters since Mary came in 1660 and Sarah not till 1675. While it is possible that they were relatives of Col. Ninean Beall, the notion that they were his nieces is pure guesswork. Mary Bells/Bealls came to Maryland in Ninean's wake, and the relationships are mostly unknown. The idea that Samuel Magruder's wife Sarah was nee Beall probably originated with Samuel's having named a son Ninean Magruder, but that falls far short of proof. (Ninean is a not-uncommon Scots saint's name; Col. Ninean Beall was the most prominent Scots settler in Maryland and a close neighbor, and presumably friend, of the Magruders.) The idea that John Pottenger's wife Mary was nee Beall depends wholly on the assumption that Samuel Magruder married Sarah Beall, the known fact that Samuel Magruder and John Pottenger were brothers-in-law, and the speculation that Sarah and Mary Beall were sisters.

I have concluded that John Pottenger's wife was in fact Mary Mullikin, daughter of James and Mary Mullikin, Scots settlers in Calvert County, Maryland. The evidence is circumstantial but, in my opinion, conclusive. This has not yet been published, but will be.

It follows that John Pottenger and Samuel Magruder were not brothers-in-law through their wives or through a marriage of Pottenger to Magruder's sister. By a process of elimination it would appear that Magruder married Pottenger's sister. And indeed John Pottenger had a sister Sarah, baptized at Lambourn, Berkshire, on April 28, 1659, with no burial or marriage recorded for her there. I conclude that she came to Maryland with her brother and married Samuel Magruder.

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From: "Clagett, Brice"

Subject: Beall/Magruder/Pottenger/Mullikin Date: Thu, 29 Nov 2001 11:53:01 -0500

Several people have asked for my reasons for concluding that John Pottenger married Mary Mullikin and Samuel Magruder married Sarah Pottenger. Here is a brief summary.

Mary Mullikin of Calvert County, Maryland., widow of John Demall (Demarell) and of James Mullikin, made a testamentary deed in 1667 in which she named her children John Demall (jr.) and James (jr.), Mary and Elizabeth Mullikin. Archives of Md. 57:216.

John Demall (jr.), in his will of 1725, named his "cosen" Robert Pottenger. Md. Calendar of Wills 6:36. (This reference was called

to my attention many years ago by Douglas Richardson.) Mary Mullikin's will shows that John Demall (jr.) had no full brothers or sisters but did have three half-siblings through his mother's second marriage, to James Mullikin.

The inventory of John Demall (jr.) in 1727 named Thomas Mullikin as next of kin. Thomas Mullikin was a son of James Mullikin jr.

John and Mary Pottenger had a son Robert Pottenger, who, being the only man of that name in Maryland at the time, was obviously the "cosen" named in John Demall (jr.)'s will. Chronology indicates that Robert was a generation younger than John Demall jr., making an uncle-nephew relationship most likely.

No marriage or other post-1667 record has been found of Mary Mullikin, daughter of James and Mary, under that name.

An exhaustive study of the Pottengers in England fails to suggest any way in which Robert Pottenger could have been related to John Demall jr. through Robert's father. See Neil R. Thompson and Paul C. Reed, "The Ancestry of John Pottenger, Immigrant to Maryland in 1684," TAG 68:139 (1993).

It is concluded that the Pottenger-Demall relationship came through Robert Pottenger's mother. The obvious inference is that John Pottenger's wife, Mary, was Mary Mullikin, half-sister of John Demall jr.

Samuel Magruder named "my brother John Pottenger" in his will. If John Pottenger married Mary Mullikin, the only way in which Magruder and Pottenger could be brothers (-in-law) is if Magruder's wife Sarah was Pottenger's sister, and as shown previously John Pottenger did have a sister Sarah who is otherwise unaccounted for. Nat Taylor asks how we can foreclose the possibility that Magruder's wife was a Mullikin. The answer is that Mary Mullikin named no daughter Sarah in her testamentary deed of 1667, and there seems no reason to believe that she had other children not mentioned.

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Note:

However on 1 May 2002, Brice says his theory can't be sustained, for three reasons:

- "1. There is no evidence that Sarah Pottenger, sister of John, came to Maryland.
- "2. Mary (Waylett, Demall, Mullikin) Williams did have a daughter Mary (whether by her 2d or 3d husband seems uncertain), but that daughter married (1) Richard Wallis, (2) John Hill, and chronology forbids that she also married John Pottenger.
- "3. Research by Fredric Z. Saunders has convinced me that Robert Pottenger's wife, Anne Evans, was a niece of Mary Evans, wife of John Demall jr., and that this adequately explains the reference in the latter's will to Robert Pottenger as 'cousin.'" [soc.genealogy.medieval; Subject: Mullikin-Pottenger-Magruder]

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Note:

Speculation on the birth family of Sarah, wife of Samuel Magruder (son of

Alexander the immigrant)

Official records show a close relationship between the Magruder, Mills and Willett families in colonial Maryland.

- 1. At William Mills death in 1676, his will (Calvert County) names wife Tabitha, sons William Jr. and John and unnamed daughters. Overseers of the estate were Alexander Magruder, Samuel Tayler and Ninian Beall. One of the witnesses to the will was Richard Chaffey.
- 2. In 1677 when Alexander Magruder died his will named almost the same set of overseers: Samuel Taylor, Ninian Beall and Nathaniel Truman.
- 3. Tabitha, widow of William Mills, remarried to Thomas Blanford. Thomas Blanford's will of 1698 (Prince George's County) names as overseers: Samuel Magruder, William Mills (Tabitha's son), and Edward Willett (husband of Tabitha's daughter, Tabitha Mills).
- 4. Richard Chaffey, a witness to the will of William Mills Sr. has his will proved in 1698 (PGC). Overseers were Samuel Magruder and Edward Willett.
- 5. Samuel Magruder, Edward Willett and a John Smith were asked in the will of Thomas Sprigg Sr. to divide the residue of his estate in 1704 (PGC) Connections here somehow. Thomas Sprigg's daughter, Eleanor, married Thomas Hilleary. When Thomas Hilleary died, William Mills Jr signed the inventory as next of kin.
- 6. Samuel Magruder's own will of 1711 (PGC) was witnesses by Edward Willett, Tabitha Willett (Edward's wife) and an Anne Smith
- 7. Benjamin Berry, in his will of 1719 (PGC) named as overseers: Samuel Magruder Jr., Thomas Hilleary Jr., Edward Willett and John Clagett. Benjamin Berry's wife was Mary Hilleary, brother to Thomas Jr.
- 9. Anchovie Hills, the home plantation of Alexander Magruder, bordered Trenant, the home plantation of William Mills Sr.
- 10. Samuel and Sarah named a son William and had a grandson by their son Samuel, named William Mills Magruder.

To play devil's advocate, both Samuel Magruder and Edward Willett were PGC officals. It might be expected that they would be asked to witness county documents. Still, all wills where they were overseers together seem to have a family connection and neither acted as overseer alone in the probate records of the county.

So, I think, but can not prove, that Sarah, wife of Samuel Magruder, was the daughter of William Mills Sr. and his wife, Tabitha

Rick Saunders added points to me:

In his will, Samuel MAGRUDER named as overseers his brother Alexander MAGRUDER, brother Nathaniel MAGRUDER, and brother John POTTINGER. Now, if Samuel's wife Sarah was Sarah MILLS, the most likely way that he would call John POTTINGER (POTTENGER) "brother" is if POTTINGER's wife Mary was a sister to Sarah. For the other theoritical possibilities, Samuel MAGRUDER had no sister Mary to be the wife of John POTTINGER. While John POTTINGER did have a sister named Sarah in England, there is no evidence that she ever went to America to be Samuel MAGRUDER's wife.

If Sarah was a MILLS, then it would also be likely that John POTTENGER's wife Mary was a MILLS.

1. When Thomas BLANFORD's inventory was taken, the appraisers were Samuell MAGRUDER and John POTTENGER. Under the theory, BLANFORD would have been the step-father of both their wives. [MD

Inventories and Accounts 16:108]

2. William MILLS, Jr.'s administration account in 1706 showed a payment to "John POTTINGER for the use of Martha BLANFORD." [MD Inventories and Accounts 26:136] If the children of Thomas BLANFORD were named in order in his will, Martha was the youngest. If the children were born about every two years after Tabitha (widow MILLS) married Thomas BLANFORD, then Martha was probably born about 1686-1690. One implication of the payment to John POTTINGER for Martha BLANFORD would be that Martha was living with his family. With both her parents dead, a logical place that Martha, a single age 16-20 year old female, would live would be with one of her [half]-sisters under this theory.

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1710-1717 Prince George's County, Maryland Land Records Liber F, [Elise Greenup Jourdan]; Folio 85: Indenture, 27 Jul 1711

From: Samuel Magruder the Younger, planter of Prince George's County Sarah Magruder, widow & exectrix of the late Samuel Magruder To: Col. Ninian Beall of Prince George's County, Gent.

25 Jun 1701 Ninian Beall sold for 81£14s to Samuel Magruder the Elder a tract of land called Troublesome on the north side of the southwest branch of the Western Branch of the Patuxent River; bounded by land now owned by Mr. Charles Carroll and Beall's Gift; containing 325 acres to be held of the Manor of Calverton; then Richard Marsham paid Samuel Magruder the Elder 81£14s on behalf of Ninian Beall after the 25 Jun 1701

Signed: Sarah Magruder (mark & seal), Samuel Magruder (seal)

Witnessed: Thomas Sprigg and Thomas Clagett

Acknowledged: Elenor Magruder, wife of Samuel Magruder the Younger Alienation: Richard Marsham paid 13s/6p for 325 acres of land; recorded 30 Aug 1711 by Robt. Hall, Clk.

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1730-1733 Prince George's County, Maryland Land Records Liber Q, [Elise Greenup Jourdan]; Page 210

Enrolled at request of Nehemiah Wade 6 Feb 1730:

From Sarah Magruder, widow, for love and affection to dau. Eleanor Wade, wife of Nehemiah Wade; a Negro girl named Hagg; /s/ Sarah Magruder (mark); wit. Wm. Robinson (mark), Rupert Butler

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