## **Gunston Hall and James Mason**

James Mason was a member of the House of Burgesses in Surry County. The first record of him is a deed from James Mason to Thomas Felton, carpenter, dated 1755. It included a petition of Thomas Burns that Mrs. Elizabeth Mason, the wife of James Mason, had defamed in a vile manner, Martha, the wife of the petitioner.

Mason who married Mary French, and represents the progenitor of the Masons of Gunston Hall.