

Jacob Crowninshield

(31 Mar 1770 – 15 Apr 1808)

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Massachusetts; born in Salem, Mass., March 31, 1770; engaged in mercantile pursuits; unsuccessful Democratic candidate for election in 1798 to the 6th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dwight Foster; member of the State senate in 1801; was tendered the position of Secretary of the Navy by President Jefferson but never entered upon his duties on account of ill health; elected as a Democrat to the 8th through 10th Congresses and served from March 4, 1803 until his death in Washington, D.C. on April 15, 1808; interment in Harmony Grove Cemetery, Salem, Mass. Brother of Benjamin William Crowninshield (Representative from Mass., 18th through 21st Congresses).