

## Col. John Ward, 1767-1816

- 1767 Born to Joshua Ward and Sarah McCall in Charleston, South Carolina
- 1787 Admitted to the South Carolina bar
- 1791-1797 Served as a representative of St. John's, Colleton Parish in the South Carolina General Assembly
- 1793 Married Mary Somersall (d. 1813) with whom he had two children
- 1794 Appointed captain in the South Carolina State Militia
- 1797-1800 Served as warden of Charleston's 7<sup>th</sup> Ward
- 1798-1805 Served as president of the South Carolina State Senate
- 1798-1809 Served as a senator of St. John's, Colleton Parish in the South Carolina General Assembly
- 1801-1802 Served as the intendant of the City of Charleston
- 1801-1805 Served as a director of the Charleston branch of the United States Bank
- ca. 1802 Inherited Seven Oaks Plantation on Johns Island from his father, Joshua Ward
- 1805 Elected to the Board of Trustees of the South Carolina College
- 1807 As commander, and then major, Ward, offered the services of the German Fusilier Company, the Company of Rangers, and the South Carolina Volunteers to defend the United States after the British attack on the USS *Chesapeake*
- 1808 Appointed major of the Lower Division of the South Carolina Militia by Governor John Drayton and was dispatched to join the war effort under the 29<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the 7<sup>th</sup> Brigade
- 1809 Appointed lieutenant colonel of the 29<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the 7<sup>th</sup> Brigade
- 1816 Died suddenly, while on a trip to New York, and was buried in the famed Trinity Church near the tomb of Alexander Hamilton

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