

# Dolphin

Corvette  
Pennsylvania Privateer Brigantine

Commander John Brice

3 November 1781-

Commissioned/First Date:

3 November 1781

Out of Service/Cause:

Owners:

Blair McClenachan, Alexander Nesbitt, and Walter Stewart, all of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Tonnage:

Battery:

Date Reported: 3 November 1781

Number/Caliber Weight Broadside

4/

Total: 4 cannon/

Broadside: 2 cannon/

Swivels:

Crew:

3 November 1781: 12 [total]

Description:

Officers:

First Mate John Constantine, 3 November 1781-

Cruises:

Prizes:

Actions:

Comments: Pennsylvania Privateer Brigantine *Dolphin* was commissioned on 3 November 1781 under Commander John Brice of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. John Constantine, possibly of Philadelphia, served aboard as First Mate. She was listed as having a battery of four guns and a crew of ten<sup>1</sup> (or forty)<sup>2</sup> men. Her \$20000 bond was signed by Brice and by Alexander Nesbitt of Philadelphia.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> NRAR, 273

<sup>2</sup> Claghorn, *Naval Officers of the American Revolution*, 32

<sup>3</sup> NRAR, 273