

# Port of Savannah ship's manifest for the *Eliza* (Brig)

## Descriptive Summary

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## Biographical/Historical Note

The Port of Savannah, founded in 1733, acted as one of the largest eastern ports of North America, and exported the first bale of cotton from the colonies to England in 1764. The U.S. Customs service was organized in Savannah in 1790. John Habersham was the first Collector, serving from 1791-1799.

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## Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of a ship's manifest of the cargo on board the brig *Eliza*. Signed June 9, 1792 by John Habersham, Collector, Port of Savannah. Mastered by Platt Akerly, the *Eliza* was bound for New York. A typed copy is filed with the original.

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## Index Terms

Eliza (Brig : 1793-1795)  
Habersham, James, 1745-1799.  
Port of Savannah (Ga.)  
Ships' manifests.  
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## Administrative Information

### Custodial History

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### **Container List**

Item 1: "Manifest of the cargo on board the Brig Eliza for New York. Platt Akerly, Master."  
Savannah, 1792 June 9 ( 1.0 p. )

Signed by John Habersham, Collector, Port of Savannah. Typed copy filed with it.