Guess Who?

Below are fun facts about some of our nation’s Founding Fathers. Using the clues, see if you can figure out the answer.

1: Created the United States Marine Band in 1798. Had no family members attend his inauguration. He was the principal author of the oldest written constitution still in use.
   
   Answer: ____________________________________________________________

2: Was the first mule breeder. Prior to getting married he was in love with his best friend’s wife. Owned one of the largest distilleries in America in the 1790s.
   
   Answer: ____________________________________________________________

3: Before his wife, he proposed to two other women. Was second in his college graduating class. There were two students. Came in third in the first presidential election.
   
   Answer: ____________________________________________________________

4: It is very likely that he lied about his age in an attempt to make himself older. The original naval communication guidebook he devised was still in use during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Was a huge supporter of Vermont’s independence in the late 1780s.
   
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5: Had only two years of formal education. Spoke five different languages fluently: English, Latin, French, Italian and Spanish. Was posthumously inducted into the National Swimming Hall of Fame in 1968.
   
   Answer: ____________________________________________________________
6: Had a pet mockingbird named Dick
   Has a prehistoric giant ground sloth named after him.
   Is credited with introducing ice cream to the United States.
   Answer: __________________________________________________________

7: He never had a job outside of politics.
   Was Princeton’s first graduate student.
   His wife was 17 years younger than him.
   Answer: __________________________________________________________

8: Once carried on an affair at the Louvre.
   Was a bachelor till age 57.
   Spoke more at the Constitutional Convention than anyone else.
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Answer: George Washington

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**Answer:** Gouverneur Morris