

3 endorse Cohen

Three law enforcement officials endorsed Democratic candidate for mayor Josh Cohen on Tuesday.

At a ceremony outside Annapolis Circuit Court, Attorney General Doug Gansler, Sheriff Ron Bateman and former Annapolis Police Chief Joseph Johnson all put their weight behind Cohen, a county councilman and a former probation agent.

Gansler and Cohen have known each other since 2006 and have worked on their respective campaigns for attorney general and County Council.

Cohen and Bateman worked together when the sheriff was with the county Police Department and targeted trouble spots in north county.

Cohen was on the City Council when Johnson was chief of police.

Cohen also has received an endorsement from the United Association of Steamfitters and Plumbers Local 486, an Annapolis-based

union that represents nearly 2,000 union-trained plumbers and steamfitters, according to the Cohen campaign.