

## Atlantic County Freeholder Coursey will run again

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Democratic Atlantic County Freeholder Ernest D. Coursey will run for re-election in District 1 in the upcoming June primary, he announced Thursday.

"I am proud of my record and would like the opportunity to continue to work on behalf of the citizens and taxpayers of Atlantic County," Coursey, 57, said in a press release.

Coursey, who was first elected to the Freeholder Board in 2013, represents Atlantic City's Wards 1-5, Pleasantville and part of Egg Harbor Township.

According to the press release, he is the Chairperson of the Committee Opposing Casino Gaming Outside of Atlantic City and serves on the Homeless Committee, Human Services Committee, Jail Committee and Public Safety Committee.

He also is a member of the 911 Central Dispatch Committee, Budget and Finance Committee, County Asset Review Committee, Education and Schools Committee, Facilities Committee, Road and Bridges Committee and Veterans Affairs Committee.

Coursey serves on the Atlantic Cape Community College Board of School Estimates, Criminal Justice Advisory Board, Emergency Management Advisory Board, Human Services Advisory Council, Police Training Advisory Board and Public Health Emergency Preparedness Task Force.

Prior to being elected Freeholder, Coursey served as Atlantic City's Third Ward Council Member for 11 years. He was also Council Vice President and Council President before becoming Deputy Mayor in 2002, a position he held for 4 years.

"Ernest is a good man. I don't see why he wouldn't win our party's nomination in June," said Michael Suleiman, Chairman of the Atlantic County Democratic Committee.

Coursey is employed by the City of Atlantic City as facilities manager of Sandcastle Stadium/Bader Field. He resides in the Venice Park section of Atlantic City. He and his wife, Leslie have 2 sons, Ernest, Jr. and Ethan.