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The 2017 Under 40 Honorees: Breaking New Ground on All Levels

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CPA Practice Advisor is pleased to announce the recipients of its annual **40 Under 40 Awards**. This program recognizes and honors young leaders who are helping to positively shape the accounting and tax profession. CPA Practice Advisor also recognizes **20 Under 40 Superstars**, who are young leaders helping advance the profession through their roles in technology, education, consulting and firm development.

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“We are fortunate to be surrounded by so many young professionals who are sharing their ideas, skills, and enthusiasm with the goal of making the accounting profession a better place. Change is occurring rapidly in our profession and this year's award

winners are embracing and welcoming the changes,” said Editor-in-Chief Gail Perry, CPA. “They are strong, dedicated, spirited leaders and we are proud to recognize these professionals as the 2017 ‘40 Under 40 in the Accounting Profession’ and the ‘20 Under 40 Superstars.’ “

40 Under 40

Cromwell Baun, CFA, CFP, CIMA	First V.P. Cloud Accounting Ecosystem Curator	UBS
Aaron Berson, CPA, MSA	and Systems Integrations Expert	EisnerAmper LLP
Ashley Britton, CPA	Lead Manager	AICPA
Danielle Supkis Cheek, CPA, CFE, CVA	President	D. Supkis Cheek, PLLC
Michael Coletti, CPA	Managing Partner	Mazars
Lindsey Curley, CPA, CGMA	Sr. Technical Manager	AICPA
Sofia DeBlanc, CPA, CFE	Sr. Consultant	Deloitte-US
Jason Deshayes, CPA, CGMA	Sr. Manager, Firm Services	AICPA
David Elyashar, CPA, CVA	Partner	Horwich CPAs
Hector Garcia, CPA, CITP, CGMA	Principal Accountant	Quick Bookkeeping Galasso Learning Solutions LLC
Melisa Galasso, CPA, CGMA	Owner	
Benjamin “Bo” Garner, CPA, MBA	Manager	PBMares LLP
David Gosselin, CPA	Principal	DBBMcKennon
Ben Gibbons, B.Eng.	Partner, Deal Advisory	Collins Barrow
Michael T. Hanley, CPA	Managing Partner	Michels & Hanley
Scott Hoppe, CPA, CGMA, MST	Principal	Hoppe Tax
Clay Huffman, CPA	Senior Manager	Frazier & Deeter LLC
Cathy Iconis, CPA	CEO + Client Finance Director	Iconis Group, LLC
Caleb L. Jenkins, CQP	Leader of Bookkeeping Svcs & QuickBooks Ecosystem	RLJ Financial Services, Inc.
Joshua Lance, CPA, CGMA	Managing Director	Lance CPA Group
Karly Laughlin, CPA	Manager, Tax/Business	Belfint, Lyons &

Patrick Benjamin Lee, CPA, MSA	Assistant Professor of Accounting	Shuman, PA Southwestern College
Caroline Linton, CPA, MST	Senior Manager	Wipfli LLP
Jordan Miller, CPA	Manager	CliftonLarsonAllen
Steven Morrison, CPA	Principal	MBAF CPAs & Advisors
Alina Nikishina, CPA	Vice President	Insperience Business Services
Matthew Nissen, CPA	Finance Director	Verus Claim Services LLC
Blake Oliver	Manager	Armanino LLP
Nicholas Pasquarosa	Founder & CEO	Bookkeeper360
Ben Pechan, CPA, CCIFP	CFO	Smith & Gesteland
Elizabeth Pittelkow, CPA, CITP, CGMA	Director of Accounting & Compliance	ArrowStream, Inc
Ross Riskin, CPA/PFS. CCFC, MST	Vice President	Riskin Advisory LLC
Diana Rivera, CPA, CGMA	Director	MBAF CPAs & Advisors
Meredith Root Elmore, CPA	Director of Operations	Rootworks
Amanda Sexton, CPA, ABV, CFF, CFE	Accountant & Valuation Analyst	Markowitz, Fenelon & Bank, LLP
Dr. Sean Stein Smith, CPA, CMA, CGMA, CFE	Assistant Professor	Lehman College (CUNY)
Lindsey Stevenson, CPA, CGMA	V.P. Finance	1st Financial Bank USA
Garrett Wagner, CPA.CITP	Business Therapist	Thaney & Assoc. CPAs PC
Brian Walgamott, CPA	Senior Tax Manager	Thomas Howell Ferguson PA
Kelly Ward, CPA, CGMA, EA	Principal	Robinson & Ward PC

20 Under 40 Superstars

Pushkar Bhoopalam	Thomson Reuters
Christine Boeckel	Bloomberg BNA
Steven and Kevin Bong	AuditFile
Rebekah Brown	MACPA / Business Learning Inst.

Will Frei	Avalara
Sean A. Hanthorn	Rootworks
Matthew Heggem	SUM Innovation
Dustin Hostetler	Boomer Consulting
Christian James	Xcentric
Kacee Johnson	Blue Ocean Principles
Bas Kniphorst	Wolters Kluwer Tax & Accounting
Megan Lewczyk	Yaeger CPA Review
Samantha Mansfield	CPA.com
Marc Mehlman	Thomson Reuters
Kalil Merhib	CPA.com
Kristen Rampe	Kristen Rampe Consulting
David Stewart	Tax Analysts
Daniel Vidal	Expensify
Michelle Walsh	XCM
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