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# Twenty Under 40!: Edmond J. Mack

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He has been named a five-time “super lawyer” and is serving his second term on Canton City Council.

Those are only a few of Edmond J. Mack’s accomplishments. Now the 32-year-old Mack can add the honor Twenty Under 40! to the list.

“I was humbled, honored that my efforts that I’ve been devoting to the area were recognized in such an honor and I’m proud,” he said.

Mack and his wife, Andrea, are the parents of Isabella. He works as an attorney for the local firm Tzangas Plakas Mannos. Mack volunteers on the Stark County District Library Board and has volunteered his services to the Wills for Heroes Foundation, which provides free legal documents to first responders.

Mack graduated from Minerva High School and earned a bachelor’s degree from Kent State University, where he serves on the Stark chapter’s alumni board. He earned his law degree with a certificate in litigation from the University of Akron School of Law.

“I try to give back to the community any way I can,” Mack said, “whether it’s service on Canton City Council or service on a board or volunteering at different events. Giving back to Stark County by volunteering your time and talent ... is something that any young professional should do.”

Mack, who has represented the city’s 8th Ward since 2012, serves as chairman of council’s judiciary committee. He has been an advocate for downtown development and believes a strong city center and park system can help attract and retain young people like himself.

“I’m committed to trying to reverse the brain drain, not just by words, but my actions,” he said. “That’s why I work in the city, live in the city and serve the city. If we want to have a successful community we have to do everything in our power, to combat brain drain. The best way to do that is to lead by example.”

Attorney David Dingwell, who works with Mack at Tzangas Plakas Mannos, nominated him.

## **ABOUT EDMOND J. MACK**

**Age:** 32

**Occupation:** Attorney, Tzangas Plakas Mannos; Canton City councilman for Ward 8.

**Education:** Juris doctorate with certificate in litigation from the University of Akron School of Law, cum laude; Bachelor of arts from Kent State University, cum laude; Minerva High School graduate.

**In the community:** Volunteer member of the Stark County District Library Board; member of the American, Ohio, Akron and Stark County Bar Associations; chairman of the Judiciary Committee for the city; provides pro bono service on behalf of public interest groups in Ohio appellate courts as amicus curie; volunteered services for Wills for Heroes Foundation, and served as a member of the Kent State University Stark Chapter Alumni Board.

**Accomplishments:** Named Super Lawyer Rising Star five times.

**Family:** Wife, Andrea; daughter, Isabella; parents, Ron and Betsy Mack.

**Nominated by:** David L. Dingwell, attorney with Tzangas Plakas Mannos.

**Dingwell says:** “Edmond is a tireless advocate for his clients, his constituents, and his community. His work ethic, dedication, problem solving abilities, and attention to detail propel him to excellent results, both as an attorney and a council member.”

What’s your favorite local restaurant? Gervasi Vineyards

When you have a free day, where do you go? “I go bike riding on Canton and Stark Park’s trails.”

What is Stark’s best asset? “Its people. The people are kind, hard working and compassionate and I can’t think of any better place to live, work and raise my family.”

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