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Bolton & Menk's Matthew Vaughan, PE, Named 2025 Young Professional of the Year

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Matthew Vaughan, PE, is being honored with the American Council of Engineering Companies of NC (ACEC/NC) Young Professional of the Year award in recognition of his achievements and professionalism in support of the engineering industry in North Carolina. Through this honor, he is also nominated as one of two representatives from North Carolina for the National Young Professional in Engineering honor awarded by the American Council of Engineering Companies in Washington, DC. "Matthew has played a crucial role in our expansion in North Carolina. He has spearheaded our Feasibility Studies contract, managed several private development projects, and overseen numerous municipal initiatives. His maturity and dedication to client service have been truly impressive," said John Cock, AICP, Transportation Lead at Bolton & Menk. Matthew is also recognized by his colleagues for his ability to develop project visualizations and significantly enhance client and public involvement, allowing all stakeholders to visualize and understand the impact of proposed projects.

Matthew has been equally committed to inspiring youth leaders in the community through his role with the Summit Church. Matthew mentors 25 youth boys each year, following their journey from 5th grade through 12th. He also leads their Young Professionals group of 20, navigating the foundational years of adulthood and building professional careers. Matthew currently serves on the ACEC/NC Junior Board of Directors, as well as the co-chair of Business Practices Committee's Business Development Subcommittee. "He is just someone who has a lot of great qualities and experience to share," says Tara Robbins, ACEC/NC Executive Director, "and he does so willingly and with passion."

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