

## Alerts

### **Warning: Letter misusing the name of Erik Eberhart and Clarke Willmott LLP**

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A letter has been sent to members of the public using the name 'Erik Eberhart' and misusing the details of Clarke Willmott LLP, regarding an 'unclaimed Payable on Death account'.

#### **What is the scam?**

A letter has been sent using the name 'Erik Eberhart' and the details of Clarke Willmott LLP, regarding an 'unclaimed Payable on Death account' with a sum of 'eleven million five hundred pounds'.

The letter provides an address at 5 St Helen's Place, London, EC2A 6AB and uses the firm's logo.

The letter purports to be sent from Erik Eberhart and requests contact via the following email address: 'erikeberhart7@gmail.com'.

Any business or transaction through the email addresses 'erikeberhart7@gmail.com' are not undertaken by any individual or firm authorised and regulated by the SRA.

#### **Is there a genuine firm or person?**

The SRA authorises and regulates a firm called Clarke Willmott LLP (SRA number 510689). The firm's genuine email domain is @clarkewillmott.com. The firm's head office address is Burlington House, Grange Drive, Hedge End, Southampton, SO30 2AF, England.

Clarke Willmott LLP has confirmed that it has no connection to the above letter.

#### **What should I do?**

When a firm's or individual's identity has been copied exactly (or cloned), due diligence is necessary. If you receive correspondence claiming to be from the above firm(s) or individual(s), or information of a similar nature to that described, you should conduct your own due diligence by checking the authenticity of the correspondence by contacting the law firm directly by reliable and established means. You can contact the SRA to find out if individuals or firms are regulated and authorised by the SRA and verify an individual's or firm's practising details. Other verification

methods, such as checking public records (e.g. telephone directories and company records) may be required in other circumstances.