

## Alerts

### **Warning: LinkedIn account for 'Shalom Anewa' misusing the name of Saunders & Partners LLP**

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There is a LinkedIn account for 'Shalom Anewa' who is claiming to be a 'paralegal' at Saunders & Partners LLP.

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

The SRA has been informed that there is a LinkedIn account for an individual called 'Shalom Anewa' who is claiming to work as a 'paralegal' at 'Saunders Law' and whose email address is stated to be shalomanewa13@gmail.com.

The SRA does not authorise and regulate any individual named 'Shalom Anewa'.

The LinkedIn account misuses the name of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below)

The SRA understands that Shalom Anewa provided advice to a member of the public and sought to charge a fee for doing so.

Any business or transaction undertaken through the LinkedIn account of 'Shalom Anewa' is not undertaken by a genuine solicitor or firm.

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

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine firm of solicitors called Saunders & Partners LLP trading as Saunders Law, whose head office is based at Temple Chambers 3-7 Temple Avenue London EC4Y 0DT. The email domain for the firm is @saunders.co.uk.

The genuine firm Saunders & Partners LLP has confirmed that it does not employ any individual named 'Shalom Anewa' nor has any connection with the LinkedIn account referred to in the above alert.

#### **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.