



Alerts

Warning: Correspondence misusing the name of Michael Page and MS Page

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Correspondence has been sent misusing the name of Michael Page and MS Page.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been advised that correspondence including a 'notarised' 'Contract Agreement and Promissory Note' has been sent misusing the name and details of a genuine solicitor and firm (see below).

The document gave the email addresses michealstewartpage@gmail.com, contact@ms-page.co.uk, and m_stewart@lawyer.com. The telephone numbers provided were +44-2081449085 and +44-7542041885 and the fax number was +44-8447745899.

The document also misused the address for a genuine firm of solicitors which is no longer trading (see below).

Any business or transactions through michealstewartpage@gmail.com, contact@ms-page.co.uk, and m_stewart@lawyer.com, the telephone numbers +44-2081449085 and +44-7542041885 and the fax number +44-8447745899 is not undertaken by a firm or individual authorised and regulated by the SRA.

Is there a genuine firm or person?

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor called Michael Page, who no longer practises as a solicitor. Mr Page was previously the sole director of a genuine firm of solicitors called M S Page whose address was 3 The Rise, Portslade, Brighton, East Sussex, BN41 2PY and which ceased trading in 2017.

The genuine Michael Page has confirmed he does not have any connection with the correspondence, document, telephone and fax numbers and email addresses 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.