

## Alerts

### **Warning: Fraudulent individual purporting to be employed by CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP**

19 October 2023

An individual by the name of 'Victoria Smith' is purporting to be employed by CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP.

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

An individual by the name of 'Victoria Smith' is purporting to be employed by CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP and is fraudulently offering to assist members of the public to release funds. 'Victoria Smith' is using the email domain [victoria.smith.fx@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.smith.fx@gmail.com)

Any business or transactions through the email domain [victoria.smith.fx@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.smith.fx@gmail.com) 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 firm of solicitors called CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP. The firm's email domain ends with [@cms-cmno.com](mailto:@cms-cmno.com).

The genuine firm of CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP have confirmed that they do not employ an individual by the name of 'Victoria Smith' nor do they have any connection to the email domain [victoria.smith.fx@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.smith.fx@gmail.com)

#### **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.