

Alerts

Warning: Email misusing the name of Lancashire Law Ltd

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An email has been sent misusing the name of Lancashire Law Ltd in relation to a property transaction.

What is the scam?

An email has been sent misusing the name of Lancashire Law Ltd in relation to a property transaction requesting payment into a fraudulent bank account.

The email was sent using an email address of 'kellyedge@lancslaw.com'.

The email misuse the name of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

There is a domain name registered at www.lancslaw.com. However, the website states it is temporarily unavailable.

Any business or transaction through the email address of 'kellyedge@lancslaw.com' is not undertaken by a solicitors' practice 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 Lancashire Law Ltd trading as Lancashire Law. The firm's email domain ends with @lancslaw.co.uk.

The genuine firm employs a staff member called Kelly Edge.

The genuine firm Lancashire Law Ltd has confirmed that it does not have any connection with the email 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.