### **Alerts**

# Warning: Website claiming to be a law firm called 'Charles KB Solicitors'

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A website at www.charleskbsolicitors.com is operating and falsely claiming to be for a law firm called 'Charles KB Solicitors'.

#### What is the scam?

A website at www.charleskbsolicitors.com is operating, and falsely claiming to be for a law firm called 'Charles KB Solicitors'.

The website provides the email address info@charleskbsolicitors.com, telephone number of +44 97005030495 and an address of 148 Strand, London, WC2R 1HH.

It also provides the names of 'Charles Kwame Benkum', 'Jefford Maxillin', 'Carlos Obing' and 'Richard Adams'.

The SRA does not authorise and regulate a firm of solicitors called 'Charles KB Solicitors'.

The SRA does not authorise and regulate individuals called "Charles Kwame Benkum", 'Jefford Maxillin' and 'Carlos Obing'.

Any business or transaction through a firm called 'Charles KB Solicitors', website or email address or address listed above, or individuals called 'Charles Kwame Benkum', 'Jefford Maxillin' and 'Carlos Obing' 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 number of genuine solicitors called Richard Adams, none of whom are believed to be connected with 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.