Alerts

Warning: Email misusing the name of Darina Kerr and CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP

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Emails have been sent misusing the name of Darina Kerr and CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang in relation to a supposed property transaction.

What is the scam?

The SRA has seen a number of emails have been sent falsely claiming to be from a genuine solicitor at a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The emails relate to a supposed property transaction to transfer the title of a property into the ownership of the recipient of the emails and another individual. The recipient of the emails is provided with fraudulent bank account details and is asked to make a payment for the legal fees into that bank account.

The emails were sent from the email address darina.kerr.csm@gmail.com. The emails also misuse the genuine firm's logo.

Any business or transaction through the email address darina.kerr.csm@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 genuine firm of solicitors called CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP (SRA ID 423370). The SRA also authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor by the name of Darina Kerr (SRA ID 612349).

The genuine email domain of the firm is @cms-cmno.com.

The genuine firm of CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Nabarro Olswang LLP and the genuine solicitor Darina Kerr have confirmed that they have no connection or involvement to the emails 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.