

Alerts

Warning: Emails falsely claiming to be from Hook & Partners

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Emails have been sent falsely claiming to be from Hook & Partners requesting payments from its clients.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that emails have been sent to individuals claiming to be from a partner at Hook & Partners. The emails misuse the name and registered address of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The emails were sent from the email addresses @hookandpatners.com. This email address does not belong to the genuine firm. The spelling of partners is incorrect in the email.

Any business or transaction through @hookandpatners.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 Hook & Partners.

The correct email domain for the firm is @hookandpartners.com

Hook and Partners has confirmed that it does not have any connection to 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.