

Alerts

Warning: Website claiming to be a law firm called 'Matthew Cain & Co'

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A website at 'www.matthewcain-co.com' is operating and falsely claiming to be a law firm.

What is the scam?

The SRA has seen a website at 'www.matthewcain-co.com' that is operating and falsely claiming to be a law firm by the name of 'Matthew Cain & Co'. The website misuses the name of a genuine solicitor (see below).

The website provides email addresses of 'info@matthewcain-co.com' and 'matthewcainlegal@gmail.com', the telephone number of '+447747228776' and address of 1 Waterhouse Square London EC1N 2ST.

The SRA does not authorise or regulate a firm of solicitors called 'Matthew Cain & Co'.

Any business or transaction through the email addresses of 'info@matthewcain-co.com' and 'matthewcainlegal@gmail.com', the telephone number of '+447747228776' and the website of 'www.matthewcain-co.com' is not undertaken by a firm authorised and regulated by the SRA.

Is there a genuine firm or person?

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor called Matthew Columb Cain whose SRA ID number is 167927.

It is confirmed that Matthew Columb Cain does not have any genuine and intended connection to the website 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.