

## Alerts

### **Warning: Website for 'Russell O'Brien Solicitors' misusing the details for Streeter Marshall LLP**

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The website 'www.russellobriensolicitors.com' claiming to be a law firm called 'Russell O'Brien Solicitors' misusing the details for Streeter Marshall LLP.

#### **What is the scam?**

The website 'www.russellobriensolicitors.com' is operating, claiming to be for a law firm called 'Russell O'Brien Solicitors'. The website seen by the SRA has copied and misused aspects of a genuine firm's website including its logo (see below). The website provides a telephone number and a fax number of '07448852969', an email address of 'info@russellobriensolicitors.com' and a postal address of '84 Eastbourne Terrace, Paddington, W2 6LG'.

The SRA does not authorise or regulate a firm of solicitors called 'Russell O'Brien Solicitors'.

Any business or transaction through 'Russell O'Brien Solicitors' or the above website, telephone number, fax number, email address and postal address, 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 called Streeter Marshall LLP. The head office address for the firm is 74 High Street, Croydon, CR9 2UU. The genuine telephone number is 020 8680 2638 and its genuine fax number is 020 8688 4105. The genuine email address for the firm is info@streetermarshall.com. The genuine website for the firm is www.streetermarshall.com.

The genuine firm of Streeter Marshall LLP has confirmed that the firm has no 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.