

## Alerts

### **Warning: Website misusing the name and address of Gibbens & Company (Solicitors) Limited, trading as Trustlaw Solicitors**

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The website 'www.trustlaw-limited.com' is operating falsely claiming to be for a law firm called 'Trust Law'.

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

The website 'www.trustlaw-limited.com' is operating falsely claiming to be for a law firm called 'Trust Law'.

The website misuses the name, address and company details of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The website provides the telephone numbers '+420 731 080-689' and '+44 1517 008-717'. The email address provided is 'info@trustlaw-limited.com'.

The website also lists the following individuals as lawyers; 'Brian Gibbens', 'Daniel M.Rosenberg', 'Matthew Altstein', and 'James Gibben'. The names of other individuals have also been misused (see below).

Any business or transactions through the telephone numbers '+420 731 080-689' and '+44 1517 008-717', or the email address 'info@trustlaw-limited.com', or 'Brian Gibbens', 'Daniel M.Rosenberg', 'Matthew Altstein', and 'James Gibben' are not undertaken by an individual or firm of solicitors authorised and regulated by the SRA.

#### **Is there a genuine firm or person?**

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine firm of solicitors called Gibbens & Company (Solicitors) Limited whose trading name is Trustlaw Solicitors. Its genuine address is Chancery House, Millennium Court, Stokesley Business Park, Stokesley, TS9 5JZ and its website is 'www.trustlaw.co.uk'. Stephen James Gibbens is a solicitor and director of the firm.

The firm's genuine telephone number is 01642888088 and its email address domain is '@trustlaw.co.uk'.

The genuine firm of Gibbens & Company (Solicitors) Limited trading as Trustlaw Solicitors has confirmed that neither it nor the genuine Stephen

James Gibbens have any connection to the website referred to in the above alert.

The SRA authorises and regulates solicitors called John Bailey, Elizabeth Hall, Daniel Rosenberg, and Mary Young whose names have also been misused on the website. These solicitors are not believed to have any connection to the website referred to in the above

## **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.