

## Alerts

### Warning: Emails misusing the name of John Charles Graham

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Emails have been sent falsely claiming to be from John Charles Graham of London Bridge 2 PCC and the Crown Prosecution Service.

#### What is the scam?

The SRA has been advised that fraudulent emails have been sent to a member of the public, falsely claiming to be from John Charles Graham of 'London Bridge 2 PCC' and the 'Crown Prosecution Service'.

The email purportedly from John Charles Graham of 'London Bridge 2 PCC' refers to the recipient's investment and advises of changes being made and of a potential for that investment to be purchased. This email was sent from the email address 'acquisitions@lb2-pcc.com'.

The email purporting to be from John Charles Graham of the 'Crown Prosecution Service' invites the recipient to contact 'LB2 PCC' to request a no-obligation cash offer to protect their investment. This email was sent from the email address 'justiceteam@mail.com-cps.com'.

Both emails included a contact telephone number of '0208 226 0176' and contact email address of 'acquisitions@londonbridge2pcc.com'.

Any business or transaction through the telephone number '0208 226 0176' or email addresses 'acquisitions@lb2-pcc.com' or 'justiceteam@mail.com-cps.com' is not undertaken by any 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 solicitor called John Charles Graham. He currently works as an in-house solicitor at London Stock Exchange Group.

The genuine John Charles Graham has confirmed he has no connection 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.

## **Related SRA scam alerts**

- [Emails and documents misusing the names of Paul Masters and Allan Richards \[https://www.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2024/oct/masters-richards/\]](https://www.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2024/oct/masters-richards/)