

## Alerts

### **Warning: Text message misusing the name of Lucas Hunter**

14 June 2024

Text message has been sent claiming to be from Lucas Hunter.

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

Text message has been sent falsely claiming to be from Lucas Hunter regarding a claim for property damages.

The text was sent from the telephone number '+44 7451 230437'.

Any business or transactions through the telephone number '+44 7451 230437' 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 solicitor, Lucas Hunter, SRA ID 542130.

The genuine solicitor has confirmed that he does not have any connection to the message, or the telephone number referred to in the alert 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.