

Alerts

Warning: Emails misusing the names of Florian Albert and Keystone Law Limited

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Correspondence has been sent misusing the names of Florian Albert and Keystone Law Limited.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that correspondence has been sent falsely purporting to be a solicitor at a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The correspondence is in relation to a non-disclosure agreement and requested the recipient to make payment.

The emails were sent from the email address 'florian.albert@keystonelaws.com', and WhatsApp messages were sent from the number '+44 7741 931513'. The WhatsApp account misused the image of the genuine solicitor.

Any business or transactions through the email address of 'florian.albert@keystonelaws.com' (note the 's' in laws), or telephone number '+44 7741 931513' 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 Keystone Law Limited. The firm's genuine domain is '@keystonelaw.co.uk'.

The SRA also authorises and regulates a solicitor called Florian Albert who is employed at Keystone Law Limited.

The genuine firm of Keystone Law Limited has confirmed that neither it nor Florian Albert have any connection to the correspondence 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.