

Alerts

Warning: Emails and telephone calls misusing the name of CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP

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Emails and telephone calls have been sent and made to members of the public falsely claiming to be from Steven Corney of CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP in relation to the recovery of lost monies.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been advised that emails have been sent to members of the public from someone purporting to be a genuine solicitor (see below). The emails advise the recipient that the sender of the email will assist them in recovering back monies they have lost. The emails have been sent from the email addresses 'stevenconey@cmsllplondon.co.uk' and 'stevenconey5@gmail.com'.

Telephone calls have also been made misusing the name of a genuine solicitor (see below). The caller is said to have contacted the recipient on the telephone numbers: '+447701426569', '+447701419940', '+447701426567' and '+447701426872'.

Any business or transactions through the above email addresses or telephone numbers are 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 of solicitors called CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP, whose head office is based at Cannon Place, 78 Cannon Street, London, EC4N 6AF. The contact number for the firm is 0207 367 3000 and its email domain ends with @cms-cmno.com.

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor called Steven Corney who is a partner at CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP. Steven's email address is Steven.Corney@cms-cmno.com.

Both the genuine firm of CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP and the genuine Steven Corney have confirmed that they have no connection to the emails and telephone calls referred to 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.