

Alerts

Warning: Emails misusing the name of Linklaters LLP

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Emails have been sent to members of the public misusing the name of Linklaters LLP.

What is the scam?

Emails have been sent to members of the public falsely claiming to be from 'Linkslater LLC' threatening legal action for infringement of intellectual property rights.

The email seen by the SRA was sent using the email domain '@linkslater.com'. The email misuses the genuine address, telephone number, fax number and website address of the genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

Any business or transaction through 'Linkslater LLC' or emails using the domain name '@linkslater.com' 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 firm of solicitors called Linklaters LLP whose head office address is One Silk Street, London, EC2Y 8HQ. The head office telephone number is 020 7456 2000 and fax number is 020 7456 2222. The firm's website address is www.linklaters.com.

Linklaters LLP only uses the email domain name 'linklaters.com'.

The genuine firm of Linklaters LLP has confirmed that it 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 (eg. telephone directories and company records) may be required in other circumstances.