Alerts

Warning: Invoices misusing the name of Hollingsworths Solicitors Limited

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Invoices have been sent misusing the name of Hollingsworths Solicitors Limited in relation to supposed professional services fees.

What is the scam?

Invoices have been sent to members of the public falsely claiming to be from a genuine firm of solicitors (see below). The invoices relate to supposed unpaid invoices for professional services.

The invoices misuse the name of the registered address of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The invoices provide a telephone contact number of '44 753 713 0894'.

Any business or transaction through the telephone number '44 753 713 0894' 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 firm of solicitors called Hollingsworths Solicitors Limited based at 19 New Walk Leicester LE1 6TE. The telephone numbers of the firm are 01162047260 and 0116 204 2500.

The genuine Hollingsworths Solicitors Limited have confirmed that they do not have any connection to the invoice 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.