



Alerts

Warning: Telephone calls falsely claiming to be from The Specter Partnership Limited

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Telephone calls have been made to members of the public misusing the name of The Specter Partnership Limited.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that telephone calls have been made to members of the public from individuals called 'Anthony Goldsmith', 'Paul Daniel' and 'Gareth Williams' falsely claiming to be from 'Specters'.

The SRA understand the telephone calls were made from '0207 097 1372' and the callers were requesting payments for a supposed timeshare.

The callers misused the name of a genuine firm of solicitors and three genuine solicitors (see below).

Any business or transaction through the telephone number '0207 097 1372' is not undertaken by a solicitors' practice 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 The Specter Partnership Limited trading as Specters. The genuine telephone number is 020 251 9900.

The SRA authorises and regulates genuine solicitors called Paul Daniel, who is a Director of The Specter Partnership Limited and Gareth Williams who is a Consultant at The Specter Partnership Limited.

The SRA also authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor called Anthony Goldsmith.

The Specter Partnership Limited, Paul Daniel, Gareth Williams and Anthony Goldsmith have confirmed they do not have any connection to the telephone number 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.

Related SRA scam alerts

- [12 June 2023: scam alert misusing the Specter Partnership name](https://www.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2023/june/specter-partnership/1)
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