

## Alerts

### *Warning: Email misusing the name of Cripps LLP*

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Correspondence has been sent misusing the name Eoin Broderick of Cripps LLP

#### *What is the scam?*

Emails have been sent to members of the public falsely claiming to be from Eoin Broderick of Cripps LLP.

The email seen by the SRA appears to have been sent from the email address [eoin.broderick@cr1ppspg.co.uk](mailto:eoin.broderick@cr1ppspg.co.uk) and copied in a second email address of [salim.somjee@cr1ppspg.co.uk](mailto:salim.somjee@cr1ppspg.co.uk). The email claimed to give details for the client account of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below) in respect of a corporate transaction.

It is worth noting that the 'i' in the word *cripps* has been changed to the number '1'.

Any business or transactions through the email address [eoin.broderick@cr1ppspg.co.uk](mailto:eoin.broderick@cr1ppspg.co.uk) or [salim.somjee@cr1ppspg.co.uk](mailto:salim.somjee@cr1ppspg.co.uk) are not undertaken by a solicitors practice authorised and regulated by the SRA or by an 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 Cripps LLP. The genuine firm uses email addresses that end with the domain names '@crippspg.co.uk' or 'cripps.co.uk'.

The SRA also authorises and regulates genuine solicitors called Eoin Broderick and Salim Somjee, both of whom are employed at the genuine firm of Cripps LLP. Their genuine email addresses are 'eoin.broderick@cripps.co.uk' and 'eoin.broderick@crippspg.co.uk' and 'salim.somjee@cripps.co.uk' and 'salim.somjee@crippspg.co.uk'.

The genuine firm of Cripps LLP has confirmed that neither it nor the genuine solicitors, Eoin Broderick and Salim Somjee, have any intended 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 (e.g. telephone directories and company records) may be required in other circumstances.