

Alerts

Warning: Document and stamp misusing the name of Ahmad & Williams Solicitors Limited

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A 'Statutory Declaration' document has been provided that falsely claimed to be signed before Mr Usman Javed of Ahmad & Williams Solicitors Limited.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that a 'Statutory Declaration' document has been stamped, misusing the name and contact details of Ahmad & Williams Solicitors Limited (a genuine firm, see below).

The document falsely claimed to be witnessed and signed by Mr Usman Javed (genuine solicitor, see below).

The SRA understands that the Statutory Declaration related to a property tenancy issue.

Is there a genuine firm or person?

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine firm called Ahmad & Williams Solicitors Limited (SRA ID: 438394). The genuine firm is located at The Rock, 201-203 Alum Rock Road, Birmingham, B8 1EU and its email address is info@ahmadwilliams.co.uk. The firm's telephone number is 0121 328 4282 and its fax number is 0121 328 4441.

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor called Mr Usman Javed, who is a Director at Ahmad & Williams Solicitors Limited.

Both Ahmad & Williams Solicitors Limited and the genuine Usman Javed have confirmed they have no genuine connection with the document 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.