

## Alerts

### *Warning: Telephone call and email misusing the name of Cheshire Estate & Legal Limited (CEL Solicitors)*

26 March 2024

A telephone call has been made misusing the name of Cheshire Estate & Legal Limited (CEL Solicitors).

#### *What is the scam?*

The SRA has been advised that a telephone call has been made from an individual falsely purporting to be from a genuine firm of solicitors in relation to offering assistance for supposed funds from fraud recovery.

The call was made from a telephone number of '02037584621'. The SRA understands that an email address of 'info.celsolicitors@europe.com' was also provided.

The call and email address misuses the name of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

Any business or transactions through '02037584621' or 'info.celsolicitors@europe.com' are not undertaken by an individual or firm of solicitors authorised and regulated by the SRA.

#### *Is there a genuine firm or person?*

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine firm of solicitors called Cheshire Estate & Legal Limited trading as CEL. The telephone number is 01519098212. The website is at [www.celsolicitors.co.uk](http://www.celsolicitors.co.uk) and the email domain used by the firm is @celsolicitors.co.uk.

The genuine firm of Cheshire Estate & Legal Limited has confirmed that they do not have connection with the call or email address 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*

- Email misusing the name of Cheshire Estate & Legal Limited (CEL Solicitors) 17 October 2023 [<https://www.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2023/oct/cheshire-estate-legal-limited/>]