

Alerts

Warning: Website for 'Legal Studio and Consult' misusing the details for MDLS Solicitors Limited

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The website 'www.legalstudioandconsult.ltd' is misusing the details for MDLS Solicitors Limited, which trades as Legal Studio.

What is the scam?

The website 'www.legalstudioandconsult.ltd' is claiming to be a law firm called 'Legal Studio and Consult' and misuses the address for a genuine firm (see below). The website provides a telephone number of '+44 2081 028804', a general email address of 'contact@legalstudioandconsult.ltd' and various other email addresses ending '@legalstudioandconsult.ltd'.

The SRA does not authorise or regulate a firm of solicitors called 'Legal Studio and Consult' (but see below for details of a genuine firm that uses a similar name).

Any business or transaction through 'Legal Studio and Consult', or the website, telephone number and email addresses referred to above 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 genuine firm of solicitors called MDLS Solicitors Limited whose address is The Tannery 91 Kirkstall Road Leeds LS3 1HS. The genuine firm uses trading names of Legal Studio, Legal Studio Solicitors and The Legal Studio. The genuine firm can be contacted on the email address Hello@legalstudio.co.uk and on the contact number 0113 247 3800.

The genuine firm of MDLS Solicitors Limited has confirmed that they have no connection to the website 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

- Document falsely claiming to be from 'Legal Studio and Consult'
[<https://www.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2022/apr/legal-studio-consult/>]