

## **Alerts**

# Warning: Email misusing the SRA ID of TMC Solicitors Ltd

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An email has been sent misusing the SRA ID of TMC Solicitors Ltd in relation to a property transaction.

#### What is the scam?

An email has been sent misusing the SRA ID of TMC Solicitors Ltd in relation to a property transaction.

The email was sent from an individual called 'Raj Khatri' using an email address of 'raj@nhlaw-group.co.uk'.

The email footer misuses the SRA ID of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

Any business or transactions through the email address of 'raj@nhlaw-group.co.uk' is 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 TMC Solicitors Ltd. The head office is based in Manchester and the SRA ID for the head office is 636580. The firm also has a branch office based in London and the SRA ID for the branch office is 654042.

The genuine firm TMC Solicitors Ltd has confirmed they do not have any connection to the email 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.