

Alerts

Warning: Letters and a website misusing the name of H & McLaws Solicitors Ltd

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Letters and a website at 'hmclawsolicitors.com' are misusing the name of H & McLaws Solicitors Ltd.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that members of the public have received letters which misuse the name of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The letters seen by the SRA are in relation to an unclaimed bank deposit for a supposed deceased client. The email address provided within the letter is 'eijaz.saher@hmclawsolicitors.com', the telephone number is '+14314304597' and the address is for a location in Alberta, Canada.

The SRA has also been notified of a website at 'www.hmclawsolicitors.com' which is operating and falsely claiming to be for the genuine firm (see below). The website misuses the address and names of various genuine directors and employees of the firm. It also provides the telephone number '+44 7448 219162'.

Any business or transaction through the email address, 'eijaz.saher@hmclawsolicitors.com', the telephone numbers '+14314304597', '+44 7448 219162', and the website at 'www.hmclawsolicitors.com' 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 H & McLaws Solicitors Ltd. Its genuine address is 498 Coventry Road, Birmingham, B10 0UN. Emails from the firm use the domain '@handmclawsolicitors.com' and the firm's genuine telephone number is 0121 7738303.

Saher Eijaz is a solicitor at the firm and her genuine email address is 'saher@handmclawsolicitors.com [<mailto:saher@handmclawsolicitors.com>]'. '

H & McLaws Solicitors Ltd has confirmed that neither it, nor its Saher Eijaz have any connection to the correspondence or website referred to above.

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.