Alerts

Warning: Email misusing the name of Doyle Clayton Solicitors Limited

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An email has been sent misusing the name of Doyle Clayton Solicitors Limited

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that an email has been sent falsely claiming to be from the accounts team of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The email includes an attachment which is an invoice and provides fraudulent bank account details.

The email was sent from the email address 'accounts@doylleclayton.co.uk'.

Any business or transaction through 'accounts@doylleclayton.co.uk' 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 Doyle Clayton Solicitors Limited. The firm's genuine email domain is '@doyleclayton.co.uk'.

Doyle Clayton Solicitors Limited has confirmed that it does 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.