

Alerts

Warning: Emails misusing the name of Ashtons Legal LLP

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Emails have been sent misusing the name of Ashtons Legal LLP.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that emails have been sent to members of the public falsely claiming to be from a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The SRA understands that the emails relate to various copyright infringements.

The emails were sent from the following email addresses:

'portacmellob1987@gmail.com',

'ashtonlegalticogeschtemp1981@gmail.com',

'boipirocur1974@gmail.com'

'fiaworquemys1980@gmail.com'.

Any business or transaction through the above email addresses are 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 Ashtons Legal LLP. The firm's genuine email domain ends with @ashtonslegal.co.uk.

Ashtons Legal LLP has confirmed that they do not have any connection to the emails 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.