

## Alerts

### **Warning: Documents 'stamped' by 'Adv Nasser Legal', misusing the SRA number of a genuine solicitor**

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A document has been 'stamped' by 'Adv Nasser Legal' in relation to a supposed foreign exchange transaction.

#### **What is the scam?**

A member of the public has received a document that purports to be from a government department, in relation to a supposed foreign exchange transaction.

The document carries a 'stamp' of 'Adv Nasser Legal' and states it involves 'Adv. Nasser Hussien'. Both the document and the 'stamp' misuse the SRA identification number of a genuine solicitor (see below).

The SRA does not authorise or regulate any solicitors called 'Nasser Hussien'. Any such business or transactions using documents stamped 'Adv Nasser Legal' are not undertaken or approved 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 solicitor called Abdul Nasser Hussain whose genuine SRA ID is 411417. The genuine Abdul Nasser Hussain is known professionally as Nasser Hussain.

The genuine Mr Hussain has confirmed he does not have any connection to the 'stamp' or stamped document 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.

