Alerts

Warning: WhatsApp messages misusing the name of Irwin Mitchell LLP

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WhatsApp messages have been sent to a member of the public purporting to be from the genuine firm of solicitors Irwin Mitchell LLP.

What is the scam?

A member of the public has reported receiving WhatsApp messages from the number '+ 44 7424 972 967' purporting to be from 'Irwin Mitchells Solicitors Law Firm' (see details of genuine firm below). The messages purport to be regarding the alleged Irwin Mitchell Solicitors receiving a memo from 'Kendall law firms in the US' about a matrimonial matter.

Any business or transaction through the phone number '+ 44 7424 972 967' 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 Irwin Mitchell LLP. The genuine phone number for the head office of Irwin Mitchell LLP is 03701 500 100 and their website is www.irwinmitchell.com.

The genuine firm of solicitors Irwin Mitchell LLP have confirmed that they do not have any genuine connection to the phone number '+ 44 7424 972 967' or the WhatsApp messages 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.