

Alerts

Warning: Correspondence and website misusing the name of Pauline Clovis

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Correspondence and a website at 'www.paulineclovislaw.co.uk' is operating, misusing the name of Pauline Clovis.

What is the scam?

Correspondence has been sent misusing the name of a genuine solicitor and the address for a branch office of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The letter seen by the SRA is addressed to the genuine solicitor and claims to be from an individual called 'Faye Laine' supposedly from the legal department of a financial institution.

The letter seen by the SRA misuses the genuine logo and contact details of a financial institution.

There is also a website operating at 'www.paulineclovislaw.co.uk'. The email address provided is 'info@paulineclovislaw.co.uk' and the contact number is '07862068507'.

The SRA does not authorise or regulate a solicitor called 'Faye Laine'

Any business or transaction through 'www.paulineclovislaw.co.uk', 'info@paulineclovislaw.co.uk' or '07862068507' 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 solicitor called Pauline Clovis.

The SRA also authorises and regulates a firm of solicitors called Brandsmiths SL Limited which has a branch office at 31 Princess Street, Manchester, M2 4EW.

The genuine Pauline Clovis and Brandsmiths SL Limited have confirmed they have no connection to the scam 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.