

Scam alerts round-up

Overview of recent scam activity

Our round up highlights the latest high-risk scams for both members of the public and solicitors.

We want to help people make well-informed choices about using legal services. As well as supporting solicitors to help keep their firm safe.

In the last three months, from 1 February 2025 to 30 April 2025, we have published 107 scam alerts.

We have set out below a summary of the different platforms that have been used in these scams.

Inheritance entitlement to money (6)

- [Letters misusing the name of Gardner Leader LLP](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/letter-gardner-leader-llp/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/letter-gardner-leader-llp/>]
- [Emails misusing the names of Kayla Acca and Thomas Johnson of Heringtons LLP](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/kayla-acca-and-thomas-johnson-of-heringtons/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/kayla-acca-and-thomas-johnson-of-heringtons/>]
- [Emails misusing the name of Rafael Singer and Summerfield Browne Solicitors Limited](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/rafael-singer-summerfield-browne/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/rafael-singer-summerfield-browne/>]

Emails/phishing/malware (44)

[\[https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2023/dec/simmons-simmons-llp/\]](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2023/dec/simmons-simmons-llp/)

- [Emails misusing the names of Paul Edmondson and CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/feb/paul-edmondson-olswang-llp/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/feb/paul-edmondson-olswang-llp/>]
- [Emails misusing the name of Lucy Clayton, Waleed Mir and GD Legal Solicitors Ltd](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/lucy-clayton-waleed-mir-and-gd-legal-solicitors-ltd/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/lucy-clayton-waleed-mir-and-gd-legal-solicitors-ltd/>]
- [Emails misusing the name of Spectre Law Limited](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/spectre-law/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/spectre-law/>]

Bogus firms (10)

- [Website of 'Beat Al Muhama' falsely claiming to be a law firm](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/feb/beat-al-muhama/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/feb/beat-al-muhama/>]
- [Website for 'StevensAdvocateFirm' claiming to be a law firm](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/website-stevensadvocatefirm/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/website-stevensadvocatefirm/>]



- [Website for 'North London Solicitors'](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/north-london-solicitors/)
[<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/north-london-solicitors/>]

Other (47)

- [Stamped documents misusing the name of Forsters LLP](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/forsters-llp/)
[<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/forsters-llp/>]
- [Trademark registration emails with false law firms details from Solicitors Ballard and Trademark Expressive](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/ballard-and-trademark-expressive/)
[<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/ballard-and-trademark-expressive/>]
- [WhatsApp messages misusing the name of Baljit Chohan](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/baljiti-chohan/)
[<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/baljiti-chohan/>]

What you should do

Members of the public

- Check that any unexpected correspondence received is genuine - particularly if it asks you to provide personal information, funds or informs you of new bank details - by contacting the law firm directly by reliable and established means.
- You can [Contact us](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/contactus/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/contactus/>] to find out if a solicitor or law firm is regulated and authorised by the SRA.
- You may also need to verify details independently, such as checking public records (eg. telephone directories and company records) in some circumstances.

Solicitors and law firms

Useful resources to help keep your firm safe:

- [Risk outlook](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-outlook/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-outlook/>]
- [Risk publications](https://guidance.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-resources/) [<https://guidance.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-resources/>]

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