

## Alerts

### **Warning: Correspondence misusing the names of Rothley Law Limited and Charlotte Dunn**

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Correspondence has been sent misusing the names of Rothley Law Limited and Charlotte Dunn.

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

The SRA has been notified that correspondence has been sent to a member of the public, purporting to be from 'Trisha Lesley' (Financial Expert, Crypto Fraud Claims Department) regarding financial fraud relating to unauthorised investment schemes.

The correspondence seen by the SRA includes two letters and a WhatsApp conversation transcript. The letters misuse the name, logo, SRA number, and address of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below). One of the letters is signed by 'Trisha Lesley' and both are counter-signed by Charlotte Dunn, purportedly 'CFC Director' (see below).

The letters advise the recipient that they have been identified as the victim of a prolonged financial fraud relating to unauthorised investment schemes. They further advise a total profit of \$25,569.56 was generated through this fraudulent activity and request the recipient provide identification verification, consent, and a 'fully refundable procedural deposit' to facilitate the return of these funds.

'Trisha Lesley' also engaged in a WhatsApp conversation with the recipient of the letters, asking them to provide the information requested in the letters. The telephone number used was +44 7415 750148.

The SRA does not authorise and regulate a solicitor called 'Trisha Lesley'.

Any business or transaction through the above telephone number is not undertaken by a firm or solicitor authorised and regulated by the SRA.

#### **Is there a genuine firm or person?**

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine firm of solicitors called Rothley Law Limited (SRA ID 8001853). Its head office address is 22 High View Close, Vantage Park, Leicester, Leicestershire, LE4 9LJ.

The SRA also authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor by the name of Charlotte Dunn (SRA ID 30524).

The genuine firm and solicitor have confirmed they have no connection to the correspondence 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.