



## Alerts

### **Warning: Website misusing the details of Caroline Aaron and Howard & Byrne Solicitors**

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A website at 'www.mariottslegal.com' is operating and misusing the details of Caroline Aaron and Howard & Byrne Solicitors.

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

The SRA has been advised that a website at 'www.mariottslegal.com' is operating and misusing the details of a genuine solicitor and a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The website provides the address 'Chestnut Court Business Centre, 148 Lawrence Street, York, North Yorkshire, YO10 3EB' and the phone number '01904431421'. It provides the email address 'carolinesusanaaron@mariottslegal.com'.

The SRA does not authorise or regulate a genuine firm of solicitors called 'Mariotts Legal'.

Any business or transaction through the website and email address above is not undertaken by a firm or individual authorised and regulated by the SRA.

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

The SRA does not authorise and regulate a firm of solicitors called 'Mariotts Legal'.

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine individual called Caroline Susan Aaron, who is a solicitor at Howard & Byrne Solicitors.

The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine firm called Howard & Byrne Solicitors. The address for their York office is Chestnut Court Business Centre, 148 Lawrence Street, York, North Yorkshire, YO10 3EB. The phone number for their York office is 01904431421.

Howard & Byrne Solicitors and Caroline Aaron have confirmed they do not have any connection to the website and email address 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.