

Alerts

Warning: Letters misusing the details of Benjamin Croft, Christopher Benson and Leigh Day

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Letters have been sent which misuse the details of Benjamin Croft, Chris Benson and Leigh Day.

What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that letters have been sent falsely claiming to be from a genuine individual at a genuine firm of solicitors (see below for genuine details). The letters relate to a supposed dispute in connection with the supply of entertainment services. One of the letters refers to an alleged breach of contract and defamation and seeks the recipient's written agreement to certain terms. The other letter seen by the SRA relates to supposed outstanding charges which the recipient is asked to waive.

The letters misuse the name and SRA ID of a genuine solicitor and the email address of another genuine solicitor (see below). It also misuses the name, address, telephone number and website of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below). The SRA understands that the letters were sent from the email address 'benjaminvictorcroft@gmail.com'.

The SRA has also been informed that the name and SRA ID of one of the genuine solicitors (see below) is also being misused on a freelance services marketplace called Fiverr using the profile 'www.fiverr.com/benjamin875'. It is understood that the individual using this profile is impersonating the genuine solicitor's name and SRA ID number to provide legal advice to others.

Any business or transactions through the email address 'benjaminvictorcroft@gmail.com' and the profile 'www.fiverr.com/benjamin875' 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 Benjamin Victor Croft whose SRA ID is 335535. The SRA authorises and regulates a genuine solicitor called Christopher David Benson whose SRA ID is 348015. The SRA also regulates a genuine firm of solicitors called Leigh Day and its SRA ID is 67679.

The firm of Leigh Day, Benjamin Croft and Chrispher Benson have all confirmed they do not have any connection to the letters or email 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.