

## 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://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/letter-gardner-leader-llp/) [<https://referral.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://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/kayla-acca-and-thomas-johnson-of-heringtons-llp/) [<https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/kayla-acca-and-thomas-johnson-of-heringtons-llp/>]
- [Emails misusing the name of Rafael Singer and Summerfield Browne Solicitors Limited](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/rafael-singer-summerfield-browne-solicitors-limited/) [<https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/rafael-singer-summerfield-browne-solicitors-limited/>]

#### Emails/phishing/malware (44)

[\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2023/dec/simmons-simmons-llp/\]](https://referral.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://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/feb/paul-edmondson-cameron-mckenna-nabarro-olswang-llp/) [<https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/feb/paul-edmondson-cameron-mckenna-nabarro-olswang-llp/>]
- [Emails misusing the name of Lucy Clayton, Waleed Mir and GD Legal Solicitors Ltd](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/lucy-clayton-waleed-mir-and-gd-legal-solicitors-ltd/) [<https://referral.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://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/spectre-law-limited/) [<https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/spectre-law-limited/>]

#### Bogus firms (10)

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



- [Website for 'North London Solicitors'](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/north-london-solicitors/)  
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## Other (47)

- [Stamped documents misusing the name of Forsters LLP](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/forsters-llp/)  
[\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/forsters-llp/\]](https://referral.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://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/ballard-and-trademark-expressive/)  
[\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/ballard-and-trademark-expressive/\]](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/mar/ballard-and-trademark-expressive/)
- [WhatsApp messages misusing the name of Baljit Chohan](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/baljit-chohan/)  
[\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/baljit-chohan/\]](https://referral.sra.org.uk/consumers/scam-alerts/2025/apr/baljit-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://referral.sra.org.uk/contactus/) [\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/contactus/\]](https://referral.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://referral.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-outlook/) [\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-outlook/\]](https://referral.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-outlook/)
- [Risk publications](https://referral.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-resources/) [\[https://referral.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-resources/\]](https://referral.sra.org.uk/archive/risk/risk-resources/)

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