



Winter 2011 THE FRAUD Edition!

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Remain selective and diligent when selecting your investigator.

We operate in the UK and throughout Europe working with corporate and business clients, the legal sector and local authorities. We have won national awards and recognition for our debtor and people tracing, field visits and our process service.

We remain passionate about raising and maintaining professional standards as we prepare for the distinct possibility that private investigators may be licensed in the UK as soon as 2012/2013. We offer the Level 3 Professional Investigator Award accredited with EDI through our training division: Private Investigator Training UK.

FRAUD

It is estimated that 85% of computer fraud cases are never reported because of embarrassment, loss of public confidence, false arrest concerns, and overall difficulty of prosecution.

The incredible frauds committed on the world's money markets have almost brought down the world's economic system. On a much smaller scale there is the possibility that your firm could be exposed, compromised, robbed or defrauded by a "Bernie Made OFF". Our in-house technical and fraud investigators give you a few tips to consider:



"Don't be afraid to change your password on a regular basis, it is just too risky not to"

1. Don't be afraid to change your password, yes, the one that you use to log onto everything and have disseminated to trusted individuals around the office. A lack of diligence here may come back to bite you hard!

2. Set up defined office policies for your systems. For example, an office handbook that all staff signs as understood. This document could have a, "Computer Systems and Information Security Policy" as well as a, "Personal Computing Policy and Data Security Policy".

3. If a crook has got to your computer or network, they may have placed a, "Key logger", or a spying device. The key logger can be placed by Trojans attached to e-mails or by software executed on the machine, etc- Just be aware that if your security is

breached you will not detect these attacks without professional assistance.

4. Get a laptop and sit in your car outside your office. Just make sure that your wi-fi network is indeed locked down by trying to access it. If your network is not password protected you could be broadcasting your shared document folder to the local area - like a local radio station!

5. Do a bit of googling and understand spoofing tools and hacking software to eavesdrop on yourself and understand the threats that are around.

6. Be aware that if you upload photographs from your mobile or a camera to the, "Cloud" they will be, "Geotagged" giving away your gps location at the time the photo was taken. Disable your mobile or camera accordingly. For a blackberry it is: options>advanced options>gps>gps service=>location off

Forensics and cyber crime

We can interrogate, investigate, analyse, preserve and recover data from your computer, phone, sat-nav, etc. We can conduct cell site analysis, geolocate, investigate intellectual property matters and are on



standby to be your professional witness. We will not blind you with, "Science". Your main concern is that any information (The, "Chain of custody") that is gathered by our investigators will stand up should it ever be challenged in a Court or Tribunal setting.

At the end of the day – careless attitudes will cost you in the end – the older that you are the more likely that you will take a blasé attitude and, it may well never happen to you. But, cyber crime is like the common cold virus – lots of particles are being coughed and sneezed around the place – constantly changing and adapting to evolving situations. A lot of the time you will be just lucky and the hacker or black hat operative will find a less agile, "Wildebeest". But it really could be careless, unprepared, you.

Debtor Tracing and People Locate

If you didn't know already, burton regan specialises in tracing missing people. We started off some twenty years ago and have assembled bespoke specialist teams thereafter. We excel in tracing individuals for the legal and corporate sectors. The types of

people we are looking for on any one given day ranges from witnesses, beneficiaries, debtors and personal injury claimants. A lot of our time is spent in conjunction with our field visitors and process servers – trying to confirm or challenge information that they are gathering on doorsteps up and down the land. Our success is built upon a continuing good reputation and in many cases a contractual obligation. We represent our clients good name and standing to the best of our ability. Our, "iron law", is always to remain at the spearhead of best practice, ensuring probity and ethical conduct. Our trace success rate has earned us awards and accolades and that speaks for itself!

Process Serving

We are able to offer some exceptional prices and deals at the moment and as we look to expand our client base. We offer fixed fee rates for bulk serves.

Our team of field agents and process servers cover, "Every blade" of grass in the UK and our network extends to Europe and the Americas. We excel at serving documents in every conceivable situation and to every deadline. We are fast, efficient and competitive!

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