

Protect Yourself from Fraud: A Guide from Nelligan Law



Fraudsters target law firms to try to steal client money or information. We take strong measures to protect your data, including keeping you informed about potential threats. Here are some ways you can help keep your information safe when working with us.

What We'll Never Do

- **We will never email you new banking details at the last minute.** If you receive a message claiming we've changed our account information, call your Nelligan Law lawyer directly to confirm.
- **We do not pressure clients into urgent wire transfers or payments.** We'll always explain what you're paying for, and give you time to ask questions.
- **We will never ask you to send money to third-party or offshore accounts** without prior discussion and documentation.

How to Verify You're Communicating with Us

- **Our emails always end in @nelliganlaw.ca.** Watch for fake domains like "nelliganlawv.ca" (note two Vs instead of a "w") or added dashes/spaces.
- If you receive a suspicious email or message, **call us using the phone number on our website: nelliganlaw.ca.**
- **Always double-check email spelling, tone, and context.** If something seems "off," trust your instincts and verify.
- We'll never ask you to send sensitive documents (like ID or banking info) via text message.

Extra Caution for Real Estate Transactions

- Real estate fraud is on the rise. Here's how to stay safe:
 - Always verify bank account details by **calling your Nelligan Law lawyer directly before sending large payments.**
 - Avoid making payments based on instructions sent via email alone.
 - Be wary of emails that create a sense of urgency around closing dates or payment deadlines.

What to Do If You're Unsure

- If you suspect a scam or receive suspicious communication:
 - Don't click links or open attachments.
 - Contact us directly at **613-238-8080** or **info@nelliganlaw.ca**.
 - Forward suspicious emails to us so we can investigate and help protect others.

Remember : Fraudsters can be sophisticated. When in doubt, slow down and verify. We are always here to answer your questions and ensure your legal matters are handled safely and securely.