

Lost in Spaceballs

Typical next-of-kin scam – this one segwayed into a theme of one of the greatest movies ever! Unfortunately, it ended prematurely because this dink couldn't keep an email address open.

Dear Sir,

How are you today?

I trust this would reach you in good health and cheers.

I have gone through your mail and noted the contents and I want you to understand that this transaction is legitimate and you will not regret partaking in this project.

I really want you to give this transaction a trial and you will not regret it.

It is obvious that there is a prevalence of scam all over the world, but I assure you that this is not a scam and count on me.

The steps are very simple and straight forward.

And moreover, the procedures involved in the execution of the project would be within the ambit of the law and none of us will be under any litigation at the end of the transaction.

Having stated this, I urge you to reply so that I will intimate you of the procedures.

Thanks.

Best Regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

What you are proposing is not exactly legal is it? How do I know we are not going to get in trouble over this?

Thomas

Dear Thomas Payne,

Thanks for your mail.

I have read it and noted the contents therein and I trust this will reach you in good health and cheers.

Rest assured that this transaction is legitimate and you will not regret partaking in it. It would be completed within seven (7) working days if you are co-operative and also keep in regular touch.

It does not really matter if you are not the original next of kin/partner to our deceased customer, since it will come to my desk for approvals, I shall approve it immediately and effect the transfer as the case may be. So you need not to worry or be afraid. The whole procedure involved for the application of this claim will be carried out within the ambit of the law, such that none of us will get into any form of trouble or be under any litigation at the end of the transaction.

There is no risk involved as I have the original copy of the deposit certificate which I shall attach in this mail for you to view.

However, if you are willing to execute it with me, kindly furnish me with the following information

REQUIREMENTS

1. Your full name
2. Your full address
3. Your private phone and fax numbers
4. Occupation
5. Marital status
6. Age/Sex
7. Identity (Drivers License or International passport).

As soon as I receive this information, I shall contact a lawyer who will use his law firm to file an application of claim on your behalf.

Note that as a staff of this bank, I don't need to show apparent involvement so that it would not be seen that I contacted you to claim this money.

PROCEDURES

1. Procurement of affidavit of claim.

With the above listed information, the Lawyer would go to the Probate Registry of the British Crown Court to procure the pre-requisite legal documents and an Affidavit of claim in your favor as the next of kin/partner to the late depositor. This affidavit of claim is a legal paper work that will confer on you, the statutory right to lay this claim.

2. Formal application to bank.

Once he procures the affidavit, he would proceed to the bank and submit every necessary document to the legal department to put claims for the transfer of the said fund into your account. Once the application is filed, I will use my powers and approve the funds and transfer to an account that you would nominate. I know all these might be alien to you, but as a professional banker, I know what to do and how to go about the procedure.

All what I need is your full cooperation, understanding, trust and honesty to ensure that we have a hitch free transaction.

Finally, to avoid misunderstanding at the end of the transaction, I want you to confirm to me, your acceptance of a 40% share of the total fund, While 10% will be set aside for the expenses that will be incurred in the course of a successful transaction, then 50% for me. Please call me immediately you received this mail on my direct phone numbers +44 703 194 8974 (Mob) or +44 773 110 3561 for more details regarding this.

Best regards!

Dr. Marcel Smith

How are you today? I'm doing good – just kicking back, sipping a can of Perri-Air. Are you suggesting it is legal to lie and pose as a dead man's next-of-kin for the sole purpose of stealing money that does not belong to us?

If you want me to participate in this, you better start being up front with me.

Thomas

Dear Thomas Payne,

How are you today?

I trust this will reach you in good health and cheers.

Reference to my last email to you, I have waited to hear from you with respect to your details that I requested for the execution of this project and also wish to inform you that I have contacted an Attorney (Lawyer), who shall get the legal paper works and apply on your behalf for approval.

So based on this, I urge you to send the information that I asked of you, so that he would get the legal paper works as early as possible and submit. There is no cause for alarm or panic, because all the procedures shall be executed within the ambit of the law and none of us shall be under any litigation.

The information once again are

Your full names

Your Address

Your private phone and fax numbers

Your Marital status

Your Age

Your Occupation

Finally, I want you to confirm your acceptance of 40% of the total funds at the end of the day While 10% will be set aside for the expenses that will be incurred in the course of a successful transaction, then 50% for me. Though I shall prepare a memorandum of understanding which both of us shall sign to avoid any kind of misunderstanding at the end of the day.

In anticipation of your fullest support, I wish you all the best in life.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

When I tried to contact you on your other email account it came back undeliverable. When I contacted Yahoo about this, they said you email was shut down because of fraudulent activities. What is this all about?

Here is my info,

Full Name: Thomas Payne

Address: 1422 Lake Road

City: Medina

State: Ohio

Zip code: 44256

Phone Number(s): 330-666-9269

I am willing to proceed with you as I am in debt to Pizzathehut for a lot of money, so I need money fast.

Thomas

Dear Mr. Thomas Payne,

Thanks for your mail.

I trust this will reach you in good health and cheers.

I have read your mail with your forwarded information contained therein.

Well, I appreciate your seriousness and commitment to collaborate with me to claim this fund from our bank instead of leaving it to be confiscated.

I shall contact a lawyer to commence with the procurement of the pre-requisite legal documents and apply on your behalf immediately.

As you can see, there is no much time left for us, so whatever we need to do, we need to be fast about it. At least we have to finish everything about this transaction before the beginning of the year's account balancing/reconciliation.

Finally, I crave your indulgence to keep this transaction confidential and secret because any leakage or disclosure of any information about this transaction may jeopardize our collective interest, which is not good.

Thanks and remain blessed.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

First tell me why your other email was shut down due to fraudulent activities as Yahoo has told me?

Thomas

Dear Thomas Payne,

Thanks for your email and concern.

I think yahoo is entitled to their opinion.

I will not argue with them, but come to think of it, if I were involved in a fraudulent activity, don't you think that they will not sign me up again?

However let us not let trivial issues to bother us at this point.

In line with my previous mail to you, I have contacted a lawyer/attorney, who shall use his chambers name (legal firm) to apply officially to our office on your behalf.

His name is Barrister Martin Rodger, his chamber is Falcon chambers and their website is <http://www.falcon-chambers.co.uk/members/member.cfm?id=165>

Because of the fact that there is no much time left to execute this, I have asked him to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U) for us.

Once it gets to me, I shall sign and turn it over to you to peruse and likewise endorse so that the Barrister can be able to finalize other legal requirements and apply immediately.

Thanks and remain blessed.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

It has been my experience with Yahoo that their prerequisites for signing up a new account is the ability to read and type. Anyone can sign up with whatever information they choose to put in. I could sign myself up as a Druish Princess if I wanted, or a half-man, half-dog. That's why Yahoo is the preferred choice of the many less-than-reputable characters out there on the internet. I'm sure you are legitimate though, contrary to what Yahoo and common sense tells me. What are the next steps for us to take, assuming this new email doesn't get shut down?

Thomas

Dear Mr. Thomas Payne,

How are you today?

I trust this will reach you in good health and cheers.

Once again, I appreciate your seriousness and commitment to execute this project with me.

And I assure you that you will not regret partaking in this project.

Rest assured that all the procedures that would be involved in this project would be done within the ambit of the law and none of us shall get into any problem or be under any litigation.

Like I mentioned in my previous mail to you that I have asked the Barrister to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U) for us, which he has done and handed over to me. I have gone through the M.O.U very carefully and endorsed my signature on it.

I crave your indulgence to realize the singular fact that there is no much time left to execute this, so kindly go through the attached document (M.O.U) carefully and sign as part of our agreement and obligations to this project to avoid any kind of misunderstanding at the end of the day.

Finally, for the purposes of avoiding delays, if after downloading the M.O.U and going through it, that you will find it difficult to print it out, sign, re-scan and send back as attachment, simply send a mail confirming your acceptance of the conditions and term of the M.O.U. By this we will save a hell lot of time.

In anticipation of your most wonderful cooperation and understanding, I wish you all the best in life.

Thanks and remain blessed.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

I haven't heard back from the lawyer yet. Can you believe that the idiot lawyer spelled his own name wrong on the Partnership Agreement? Not only in the text of the document, but in his Company Header as well. I sent them a copy of the Agreement with a nasty email and demanded that they fix it and apologize to us for wasting our time. What a bunch of dinks! Once I receive a response and the new agreement, I will contact you back.

Thomas

Side note;

To make this look real, he sent me the web link for Falcon Chambers, a real law office in England. He then sends me a silly looking "legal" document from a lawyer named Martin Rodgers from Falcon Chambers, who has a profile on the Falcon website. The problem is that along with many other misspellings, he signs it Martin Rogers, instead of Rodgers. I hate when I misspell my own name, especially in a professional legal document. I emailed the real Aaron Rodgers, and explained everything to them, telling them that their good name was being used by fraudsters.

Back to the drama...

How can you email the lawyer when I have not give you his email address yet? I am not happy with the way you speak about this matter. Where did you sent the document?

Thanks and remain blessed.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

What do you mean where did I get his email address? You sent me the link to the website – I am highly capable of pulling an email address off of a website. I apologize if I was a little harsh in my email to the lawyer, but how unprofessional is that for a pretty-looking legal document to be riddled with spelling errors and then the space crustacean freaking spells his own name wrong. I must say that I went off on their law firm, so you will probably hear it from them. I called them every name I could think of and even gave them the raspberries. We should go my team of lawyers from Lone Star Law Offices. What do you think?

Thomas

You must contact through this email – rogers_falconcham02@yahoo.com. Do not reply to any other emails from Flacon chambers as the have told me that they had a security breech where a lot of files were stolen or tampered withand might be infected with virus.

Thanks and remain blessed.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

So you want me to talk to the lawyer from this Yahoo email address instead of the email address I got from the website? Ok, that sounds reasonable. Pizzathehut has been getting on my case lately, so we need to hurry this along. I will contact the lawyer on this new yahoo email address, assuming it doesn't get shut down. I hope everything is all in order.

May the Schwartz be with you,

Thomas

If you are not serious in this matter and do not wish to execute this matter and listen to my directives then I will have to find a new partner. This is no joking matter and we do not have much time to complete this. You need to sign the MOU and send it back to me at once.

Thanks and remain blessed.

Best regards

Dr. Marcel Smith.

So, are you telling me that the misspellings are not a big deal in an official legal document? I also noticed that he spelled his name wrong again in that Yahoo email address you gave me. Is he a moron? I do not feel too confident with this team of lawyers working on our behalf. I think we should look for more competent attorneys, even if we have to comb the desert for them. You know, it is all about the merchandising!

Thomas

This was the end – his email account was shut down again. It's been weeks and he still has gotten back to me so I am assuming he just gave up. I didn't even have the chance to tell him how much he sucks...sucks...sucks...