

# Take extra care of your data if you're an above-average earner



John French, Solicitor in our Litigation Department, says –

“If you’re fortunate enough to be a high earner aged between 26 and 45, it is advisable to take particular care of your personal data.

Responding to a recent report from credit information company Experian, John says, “People earning over £50,000 are nearly three times more likely than average to be victims of identity theft – and if you’re a director of a company with more than 50 employees, that rises to five and a half times.

These are not the only high-risk groups. According to the report, people in rented accommodation are also exposed because they move more frequently and often share mailboxes with their neighbours.

John continues, “Taking care of our personal data has to become second nature for all of us. You should shred documents, update your records whenever you move home, or job and remove personal information from your desk to protect it from prying eyes.”

According to John, being a victim of identity theft can have vast repercussions across many aspects of life, particularly financial matters. “Proving that you are a victim is not always straightforward, and it’s not unknown for people who’ve had their identity stolen to come under suspicion of fraud themselves,” he says.

“In such a case, you may well benefit from the help of a legal expert in presenting the facts. Call us on 024 7663 2121 to discuss your situation.

“Our Litigation law experts can help you with any litigious matters. John continues “Call us to set up a meeting.”