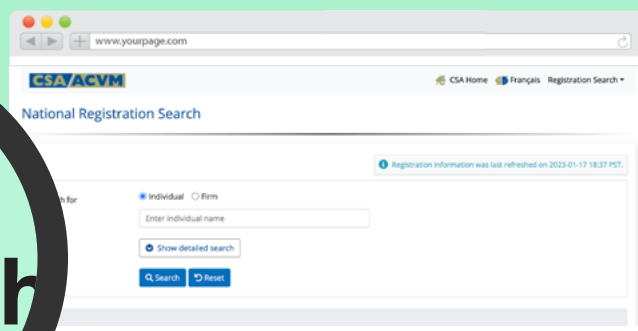


Don't Become a Victim of Fraud

Investment frauds and scams are being carried out in our province. If you are considering an investment opportunity, protect yourself from becoming a victim.

Do Your Research

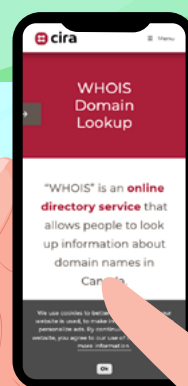


STEP ONE

Check the National Registration Search to ensure the individual or firm is registered in your province or territory.

STEP TWO

Check Whois to ensure the website was not recently created.



STEP THREE

Check the CSA Investor Alerts to ensure the individual or firm isn't considered an investor risk.



STEP FOUR

Check the CSA Disciplined List to ensure the individual or firm has not been disciplined.



STEP FIVE

Check the CSA Cease Trade Orders (CTO) to ensure the individual or firm has not been issued a CTO for failing to meet disclosure requirements or as a result of an enforcement action or investigation.



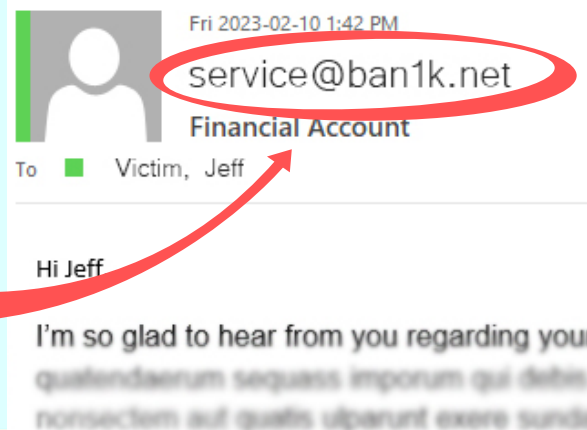
STEP SIX

Check current investment return rates to ensure the offer is not too good to be true.

Look For Clues

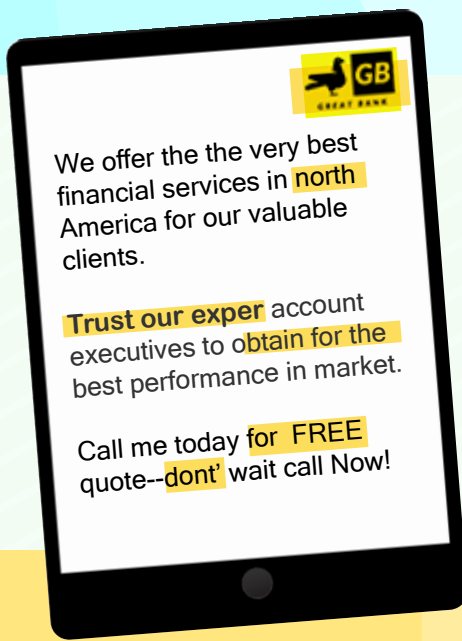
STEP SEVEN

Review the email address for common red flags like misspellings, numbers, or symbols.



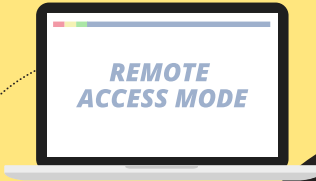
STEP EIGHT

Review the website for inconsistencies like a variety of font types/sizes, spelling errors, poor grammar, design issues, and non-functioning pages/buttons.



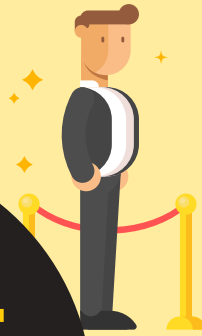
STEP NINE

Do not give remote access to your device or computer.



STEP TEN

Do not take investment advice from celebrities.



STEP ELEVEN

Do not transfer funds to an unknown crypto wallet.



STEP TWELVE

Do not believe your account balance as scammers will show you false returns.



REMEMBER

This is not an exhaustive list of steps, nor a guarantee of avoiding a scam.

The tools provided in this infographic are guidance and should not be the only steps you take before making an investment decision.

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