

**## Don't Get
Scammed: Spot a
Con Architect
Early##**



**LEARN THE
RED FLAGS
SO YOU NOTICE
THEM IF THEY
APPEAR**





- ✓ Avoids written contracts or keeps changing terms
- ✓ Requests large upfront payments
- ✓ Cannot show previous work or references
- ✓ Pushes you to make quick decisions

HOW TO AVOID THIS

- ❖ Ask for their professional registration number
- ❖ Verify with the Board of Registration of Architects & Quantity Surveyors (BORAQS)
- ❖ Check if they belong to the Architectural Association of Kenya (AAK)
- ❖ A genuine architect will confidently provide credentials



UNDERSTAND PAYMENT STRUCTURE

- ❑ Professional fees are structured in stages (design, approvals, construction)
- ❑ Avoid anyone demanding full payment upfront
- ❑ Always request official receipts for payments
- ❑ Check that payment terms align with project milestones

PROTECT YOURSELF

- Sign a formal agreement before work begins
- Confirm necessary approvals with local authorities
- Keep copies of all drawings and documents
- When in doubt, seek a second professional opinion

