

The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America

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In *The Color of Law* (published by Liveright in May 2017), Richard Rothstein argues with exacting precision and fascinating insight how segregation in America—the incessant kind that continues to dog our major cities and has contributed to so much recent social strife—is the byproduct of explicit government policies at the local, state, and federal levels.

Rothstein was a panelist on an EPI webinar, July 9, 2020, discussing his book and **Reconstruction 2020: Valuing Black Lives and Economic Opportunities for All**. [Click here to see watch](#) the webinar.

The Color of Law was designated one of ten finalists on the National Book Awards' long list for the best nonfiction book of 2017.