



**Urban Land
Institute**

VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

EVICTED

SESSION BREAKDOWN

SESSION 1

January 12

Prologue - Chapter 8

SESSION 2

February 9

Chapter 9 - Chapter 16

SESSION 3

March 9

Chapter 17 - Epilogue

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

Navigating this work will require considerations of privilege, language, and perspective. We hope this book club acts as a learning environment and a welcoming space to discuss harmful public policies and potential actions to remedy them.

As such, we believe it is essential to establish community expectations to maintain civil discourse.

1. ***Use the book as context when possible.*** Discussion contributions should refer to anecdotes and facts from *Evicted*, especially as they affect your experiences. This will help broaden all participants' comprehension and ensure that we are learning together.
2. ***Be explicit about race and racism.*** Refrain from using coded language ("being colorblind" or "urban communities," for example). While racism has no biological ground, society has used racist intent to enact violence and discriminatory practices against marginalized people for centuries. Ask when unsure about word use.
3. ***Be kind.*** Humility and vulnerability will be helpful as we each practice listening intently, expecting discomfort, and only speaking twice once another speaks first.
4. ***Be mindful.*** Privilege and proximity inform our lives. Practice respect, honesty, and accountability. Intersectionality teaches us that we have all been affected by these policies, so we must all work to understand and improve them.