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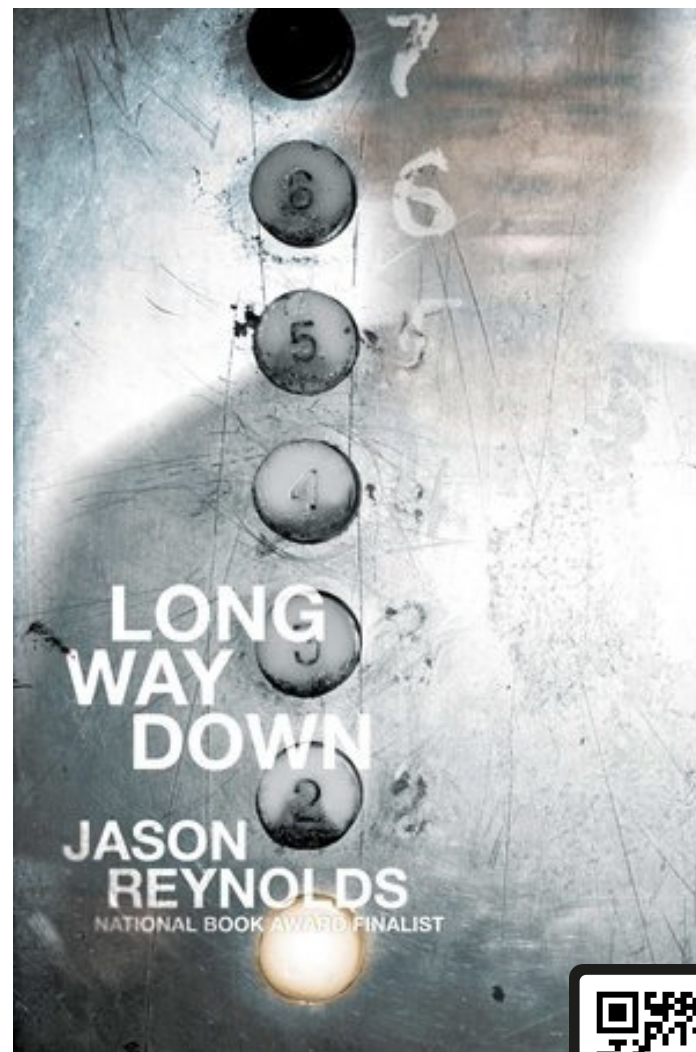
"His older brother, Shawn, has been shot and killed... Now Will intends to follow the three rules of the street: no crying, no snitching, get revenge...

With his brother's gun in the waistband of his jeans, he heads to his building's elevator...

As the elevator descends, different ghosts of shootings past—each connected to Will in sometimes surprising ways—enter the carriage.

They share experiences, question him and challenge his motives. It's a long way down from the eighth floor to the lobby, but it only takes seven floors, 60 seconds and six ghosts to make him question his quest for revenge.

Reynolds' elegant verse begs to be read aloud...What, if anything, has Will learned? Is he destined to be just another "block boy" looking to off somebody?" -Dean Schneider, Book Page



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