Here's How Trump Is Rapidly Reshaping the Judiciary

The New York Times lays out the plan the Trump team devised to fill the federal appeals courts with young and deeply conservative judges – a strategy that has started to show results.

Reporter **Charlie Savage** describes the plan: "Start by filling vacancies on appeals courts with multiple openings and where Democratic senators up for re-election next year in states won by Mr. Trump – like Indiana, Michigan and Pennsylvania – could be pressured not to block his nominees. And to speed them through confirmation, avoid clogging the Senate with too many nominees for the district courts, where legal philosophy is less crucial."

He predicts that the consequence of the transformation of the judiciary will yield an appellate court system as ideologically split as Congress is today, after the Democrats regain power and use the same playbook.

Read the *NYT* article.