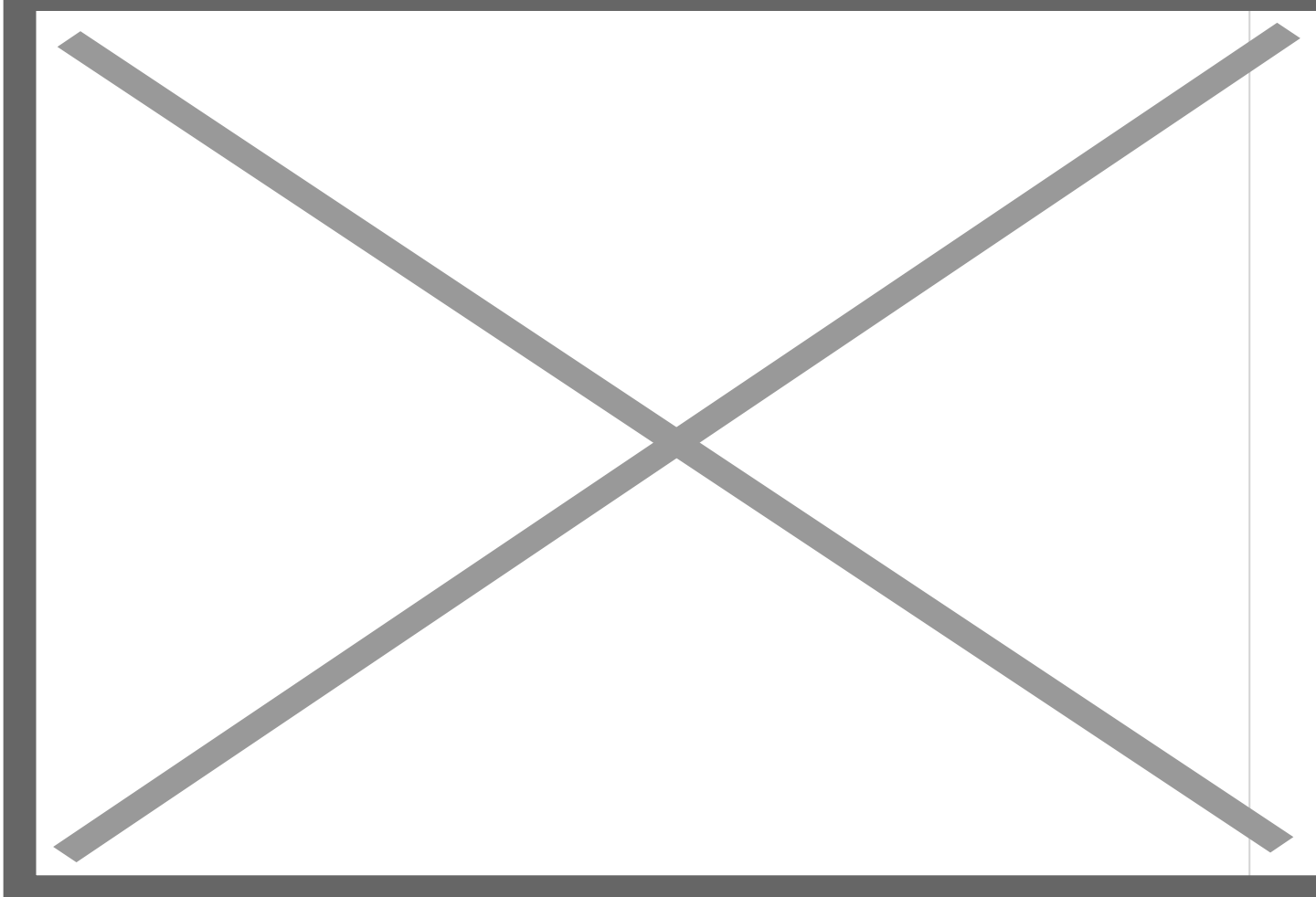


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Last year, Cox helped organize buses to Washington on January 6 when he called Vice President Mike Pence a traitor for not supporting Trump's efforts to overturn the election.

If elected, Cox has vowed to conduct a forensic audit of the 2020 election. He also wants to ban abortion in Maryland and end what he describes as "sexual indoctrination" in schools.

The Democratic Governors Association spent over \$1 million helping elevate Cox's message as part of an effort to help the primary campaigns of far-right candidates that Democrats hope will be more vulnerable in the November general election. The Democratic gubernatorial primary remains too close to call.

In another closely watched race in Maryland, the corporate attorney Glenn Ivey has defeated former Congressman Donna Edwards in the Democratic primary for an open seat in Maryland's 4th Congressional District.

A new super PAC run by AIPAC, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, spent nearly \$6 million on the race to defeat Edwards. Ivey outspent Edwards seven to one.

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